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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2014 ON PAGE 151]
SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. WELCOME.
I ASK YOU ALL TO PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BEGIN THE MEETING TODAY
WITH AN INVOCATION THAT WILL BE LED BY THE REVEREND DR.
WILLIAM EPPS, SENIOR PASTOR, SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOS
ANGELES FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY GIOVANNI
PEREZ, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, MONTEREY PARK. REVEREND
EPPS?
DR. WILLIAM EPPS: LET US PRAY. FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE, WE ARE
THANKFUL. FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF OPPORTUNITY, WE ARE GRATEFUL TO
SERVE IN SPECIAL WAYS. MAY THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO
REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF THE CONSTITUENCY SERVE WITH
COMPASSION, CONVICTION AND COMMITMENT AS THEY MAKE CHOICES,
REMEMBERING WITH THE POET THAT TRUE WORTH IS IN BEING NOT
SEEMING, IN DOING EACH DAY THAT GOES BY SOME LITTLE GOOD, NOT
IN DREAMING OF GREAT THINGS TO DO BY AND BY. FOR WHATEVER MEN
SAY IN THEIR BLINDNESS, IN SPITE THE FANCIES OF YOUTH, THERE'S
NOTHING SO KINGLY AS KINDNESS AND NOTHING AS ROYAL AS TRUTH.
AMEN.

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- 1 GIOVANNI F. PEREZ: PLEASE REMAIN STANDING FOR THE PLEDGE OF
- 2 ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

- 6 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES.
- 7 WE'RE DELIGHTED TODAY, MR. CHAIRMAN, TO HAVE THE REVEREND DR.
- 8 WILLIAM SACHS EPPS WITH US AS THIS MORNING'S INVOCATOR. DR.
- 9 EPPS HAS BEEN THE PASTOR, THE SENIOR PASTOR, OF THE SECOND
- 10 BAPTIST CHURCH HERE IN LOS ANGELES SINCE 1988. AND IT GIVES ME
- 11 GREAT PLEASURE AT THIS TIME TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FACT THAT HE
- 12 WAS JUST FORTUNATE TO CELEBRATE HIS 27TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY
- 13 AT THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH. I THINK THAT DESERVES A SPECIAL
- 14 ROUND OF APPLAUSE ALL BY ITSELF. [APPLAUSE.] AS YOU NO DOUBT
- 15 DETECTED, HE'S AN EXTRAORDINARY ORATOR, PULPITEER, AND SECOND
- 16 BAPTIST, YOU WILL WISH TO KNOW, WAS BUILT IN THE YEAR 1926.
- 17 AND IN 2009 IT WAS PLACED ON THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
- 18 INTERIORS' NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES. THIS IS UNDER
- 19 THE LEADERSHIP OF PASTOR EPPS. PRIOR TO SERVING IN LOS
- 20 ANGELES, HE WAS A PASTOR OF SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH IN DETROIT.
- 21 AND THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WINSTON-SALEM IN NORTH
- 22 CAROLINA. AND ALSO SERVED AS THE MINISTER OF THE CALVARY
- 23 BAPTIST CHURCH IN MASSACHUSETTS. HE EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S OF
- 24 SCIENCE DEGREE FROM THE BISHOP COLLEGE IN TEXAS, MASTER OF
- 25 DIVINITY FROM UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, A MASTER OF

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- 1 EDUCATION FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AND A DOCTORATE OF MINISTRY
- 2 AT THE ST. MARY'S SEMINARY AND UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND. HE WAS
- 3 REAPPOINTED THIS YEAR AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE AFFORDABLE
- 4 HOUSING COMMISSION, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND SERVES AS A
- 5 MEMBER ON SEVERAL BOARDS, INCLUDING SKID ROW HOUSING TRUST IN
- 6 OUR CITY OF LOS ANGELES. DR. EPPS AND FIRST LADY HAVE TWO
- 7 DAUGHTERS, JACQUELINE EPPS SPIVEY AND ANDREA EPPS ESQUIRE. SO
- 8 THEN, DR. EPPS, IT IS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 9 THAT WE CONGRATULATE YOU ON 27 YEARS AT THE SECOND BAPTIST
- 10 CHURCH. I REMEMBER WHEN YOU FIRST ARRIVED THERE, I WAS AT THE
- 11 SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT THAT TIME. AND WE
- 12 HAVE TOILED IN THE VINEYARD, MR. CHAIRMAN, SINCE THAT VERY
- 13 TIME. AND SO IT'S ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 14 THAT WE EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION TO YOU, DR. EPPS, FOR THIS
- 15 MORNING'S INVOCATION. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE REVEREND DR.
- 16 WILLIAM SACHS EPPS. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

- 20 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU. IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO PRESENT
- 21 A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO GIOVANNI PEREZ. HE IS A
- 22 MEMBER OF THE SEMPER FI ASSOCIATION. GIOVANNI BRAVELY SERVED
- 23 AS A CORPORAL WITH THE THIRD BATTALION OF THE UNITED STATES
- 24 MARINE CORPS FROM 2002 TO 2012 AND HE FOUGHT IN THE BATTLE OF
- 25 FALLUJAH IN IRAQ. HIS NUMEROUS COMMENDATIONS INCLUDE A PURPLE

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- 1 HEART, A COMBAT ACTION RIBBON, A NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE
- 2 MEDAL, A GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM MEDAL, AS WELL. WE WANT TO
- 3 THANK GIOVANNI AND WE'RE PROFOUNDLY GRATEFUL FOR SERVING IN
- 4 OUR ARMED FORCES AND PROTECTING OUR COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS
- 5 TO YOU, SIR AND THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LET'S BEGIN
- 8 THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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- 10 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,
- 11 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3,
- 12 PRESENTATION AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-3, ALTHOUGH THE POSTED
- 13 AGENDA INDICATES THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
- 14 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS
- 15 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 9, 2014.

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17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED.

- 19 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
- 20 OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 4-
- 21 D. ON ITEM NO. 1-D, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 22 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3-D,
- 23 THERE'S A REOUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 24 ITEM, AND ALSO ON 4-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
- 25 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. SO ITEM NO. 2-D IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE
- 3 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER. 3-D WAS
- 4 HELD, TOO?

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- 6 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: YES, IT WAS, BY A MEMBER OF THE
- 7 PUBLIC. ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
- 8 AUTHORITY, ITEM NO. 1-H, THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
- 11 BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 13 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
- 14 OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P
- 15 THROUGH 7-P. ON ITEM NO. 1-P, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
- OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 3-P, 4-P, 5-P, 6-
- 17 P AND 7-P, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM EITHER A MEMBER OR MEMBERS
- 18 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. SO THE REMAINING ITEM THAT
- 19 IS BEFORE YOU IS ITEM NO. 2-P.

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- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ON THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
- 22 THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 24 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON ITEM NUMBER-- EXCUSE ME. ON
- 25 PAGE NO. 12, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10. ON ITEM

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- 1 NO. 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
- 2 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 2, 2014. ON
- 3 ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM--

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5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WHEN?

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7 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SECOND.

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9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: FOR SOME OF US OLDER PEOPLE HERE.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ITEM NO. 2.

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- 13 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
- 14 THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUEST THAT THIS THIS ITEM
- 15 BE CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 2, 2014. ON ITEM NO. 3, SUPERVISOR
- 16 YAROSLAVSKY AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
- 17 BE HELD.

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- 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'M GOING TO WITHDRAW MY HOLD ON 1-D AND 3.
- 20 I GOT MY QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

- 22 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: IT'S STILL BEING HELD BY MEMBERS
- 23 OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM NO. 4, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS
- 24 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 5, SUPERVISOR
- 25 RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. ON ITEM NO. 9,

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- 1 SUPERVISOR -- EXCUSE ME. SUPERVISOR MOLINA REOUESTS THAT THIS
- 2 ITEM BE HELD, AND THERE'S ALSO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT ARE
- 3 ALSO HOLDING THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 10, THIS INCLUDES THE
- 4 CORRECTION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND ALSO ON
- 5 THIS ITEM THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
- 6 HOLD THIS ITEM.

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8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ITEM NO. 10?

10 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: YES. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER

11 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU?

13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR

- 14 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT
- 15 OBJECTION, AND THE NOTE OF ABSTENTION, SO ORDERED.
- 17 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 17, CONSENT CALENDAR,
- 18 ITEMS 11 THROUGH 65, ON ITEM NO. 12, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
- 19 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 14,
- 20 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 21 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
- 22 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 20, SUPERVISOR MOLINA
- 23 AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
- 24 ITEM NO. 22, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. AND

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- 1 ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT ITEM WAS THAT?

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- 6 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: 22. ON ITEM NO. 26, THERE'S A
- 7 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
- 8 NO--

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: 26 IS CORRECT?

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- 12 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: TWENTY-SIX, YES. ON ITEM NO. 36,
- 13 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 14 ITEM. ALSO ON ITEM NO. 37, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
- 15 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 39, THERE'S A
- 16 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
- 17 NO. 43, AND 44 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 18 TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. I'M SORRY? EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY? ON ITEM
- 19 NO. 43, SUPERVISOR KNABE IS ALSO HOLDING THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
- 20 NO. 47, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR
- 21 OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO
- 22 HER DEPARTMENT.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED ON THE REFERRAL.

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- 1 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 52, THIS
- 2 INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA
- 3 AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
- 4 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 53, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- 5 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THE SETTLEMENT BE APPROVED TODAY AND THE
- 6 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BE CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 18, 2014.
- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. ON THE CONTINUANCE, SO ORDERED.
- 10 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THANK YOU. AND ON ITEM NO--
- 11 ACTUALLY THAT'S IT. SO THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
- 12 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.
- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 15 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT ANY
- 16 OBJECTIONS, SO BE THE ORDER.
- 18 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 42, ORDINANCES FOR
- 19 INTRODUCTION.
- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THERE WAS ONE NOTED ABSTENTION, EXCUSE
- 22 ME, FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I BELIEVE.
- 24 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: YES, IT WAS ITEM NO. 22.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WITH THAT NOTED ABSTENTION, SO TO BE
- 2 ORDER.

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- 4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THANK YOU. ON PAGE 42, ORDINANCES
- 5 FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 66 AND 67. AND ON THESE ITEMS, I'LL
- 6 READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. ON ITEM NO. 66, THIS
- 7 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE, TITLE
- 8 5, PERSONNEL, UPDATING PORTIONS OF VARIOUS SECTIONS RELATING
- 9 TO COUNTY CONTRIBUTION PROVISIONS, ELIGIBILITY RULES AND RATES
- 10 FOR HEALTH INSURANCE PURPOSES AND THE DEFINITIONS OF THE
- 11 APPLICABLE RETIREMENT PLANS AND THE ELECTION OPTIONS OF THE
- 12 SURVIVOR INCOME BENEFIT. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY
- 15 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 17 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON ITEM NO. 67, THIS IS AN
- 18 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE, TITLE 6,
- 19 SALARIES, BY ADDING, ESTABLISHING, RESTORING AND CHANGING
- 20 CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS, NUMBERS OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN
- 21 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
- 24 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
- 25 ORDERED.

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- 2 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 43, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM
- 3 NO. 68 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR
- 4 OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
- 5 JANUARY 6, 2015.

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7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED.

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- 9 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: AND THAT THE REPORT BE DUE ON A
- 10 QUARTERLY BASIS THEREAFTER.

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED. THAT WAS ITEM NO. 68.

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- 14 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 44, MISCELLANEOUS
- 15 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POST MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN
- 16 ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
- 17 AGENDA. ITEM NO. 69-A IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
- 20 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 22 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ON PAGE 48, NOTICES OF CLOSED
- 23 SESSION, ON ITEMS NO. C.S.-3 AND C.S.-4, THERE'S A REQUEST
- 24 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ALSO ON ITEM
- 25 NO. C.S.-5, WHICH WAS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,

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- 1 THERE'S A REOUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 2 ITEM.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED.

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- 6 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THAT COMPLETES THE READING.
- 7 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH
- 8 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU
- 11 HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY,
- 12 PRESENTATIONS, PLEASE. PICTURE OF A HAND.

- 14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
- 15 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS TO JOIN ME
- 16 UP HERE FOR THIS SPECIAL ANNUAL PRESENTATION. WE'RE GOING TO
- 17 BE JOINED BY MIKE HELMSTEAD, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES
- 18 CHAPTER OF THE MARINE CORPS COMBAT CORRESPONDENCE ASSOCIATION
- 19 WHO IS A 16 YEAR VETERAN OF THE MARINE CORPS AND SERVED IN
- 20 FALLUJAH WITH THE FIRST MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE. WE'RE ALSO
- 21 JOINED BY STAFF SERGEANT AYESIA BROWN. STAFF SERGEANT EVAN
- 22 BARDON, STAFF SERGEANT SALVADOR JUAREZ, STAFF SERGEANT TIM VO,
- 23 AND SERGEANT KEVIN HAN. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND
- 24 GENTLEMEN, ON NOVEMBER 10, 1775, THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
- 25 DECLARED THAT TWO BATTALIONS OF MARINES BE RAISED AND THAT



- 1 THEY BE DISTINGUISHED BY THE NAMES OF THE FIRST AND SECOND
- 2 BATTALIONS OF AMERICAN MARINES. AND FROM THEIR INCEPTION THEY
- 3 SERVED AS SHARP SHOOTERS FROM SHIPS, RIGGINGS AND CLOSE
- 4 BATTLES EARNING THE MARINES THE WELL DESIGNATION AS RIFLEMEN.
- 5 SINCE OUR NATION FIRST BEGAN ASSERTING ITS ROLE AS A WORLD
- 6 POWER, MARINES HAVE MARCHED IN STEP, GUIDING AND LEADING THE
- 7 COUNTRY, ASSERTING THAT WE WILL NEVER-- THAT WE WILL BE THE
- 8 FIRST TO FIGHT AND IN CONFRONTING TROUBLE IN ANY CLIME, IN ANY
- 9 PLACE. THEY HAVE SERVED WITH HONOR AND DISTINCTION FROM THE
- 10 HALLS OF MONTEZUMA TO THE SHORES OF TRIPOLI. MORE THAN 60
- 11 YEARS AGO IN LOS ANGELES, MARINES SHOWED ANOTHER CARING SIDE
- 12 BY LAUNCHING THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM, TO ENSURE THAT NEEDY
- 13 CHILDREN RECEIVE GIFTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON. TODAY
- 14 MARINES MAY BE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, IN PEACE TIME AND
- 15 IN WAR, EVER PROUDLY KNOWN AND CHERISHED AS AMERICA'S 911. THE
- 16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
- 17 DECLARE NOVEMBER 9-15 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WEEK IN THE
- 18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN CELEBRATION OF THE CORPS'S 239TH
- 19 BIRTHDAY. ALL RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO GIVE THANKS AND RESPECT
- 20 TO THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS FOR ITS SELFLESS AND
- 21 COURAGEOUS SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. I MIGHT ADD ALSO, YOU'RE
- 22 ENCOURAGED TO CONTRIBUTE TOYS FOR THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM.
- 23 IT'S BEEN MY PRIVILEGE JUST ABOUT EVERY YEAR I'VE BEEN HERE TO
- 24 HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO
- 25 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MARINE CORPS. WE FIRST HONOR YOU FOR

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- 1 THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM WHICH WILL BRING SO MUCH HAPPINESS
- 2 TO KIDS DURING THE COURSE OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON, BUT BEYOND
- 3 THAT AND MUCH MORE IMPORTANT, WE HONOR YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO
- 4 OUR COUNTRY AND THROUGH YOU TO ALL THE MARINES WHO HAVE SERVED
- 5 OUR COUNTRY IN PEACE TIME IN AND IN BATTLE, DEFENDING OUR
- 6 FREEDOMS. SO I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS TO MR. HELMSTEAD. MR.
- 7 HELMSTEAD, COME ON OVER HERE. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 9 MIKE HELMSTEAD THANK YOU. INTERNALLY, MARINES HAVE A LITTLE
- 10 SAYING CALLED THE HOLLYWOOD MARINES, AND THAT'S A LITTLE
- 11 RIVALRY BETWEEN THE ENLISTED GUYS ON THE EAST AND WEST COAST
- 12 WHERE YOU WENT TO BOOT CAMP. TO ME HOLLYWOOD MARINE HAS ALWAYS
- 13 BEEN A TERM OF ENDEARMENT, BECAUSE IT REPRESENTS THE TWO OF
- 14 THE THINGS I REALLY LOVE, CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE MARINE
- 15 CORPS. SO IT IS GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO ACCEPT THIS. AND ON
- 16 BEHALF OF THE MARINES THAT ARE REPRESENTED HERE, AND THANK YOU
- 17 FOR ALL YOUR-- FOR DOING THIS FOR I THINK 20 YEARS NOW. IT
- 18 DOESN'T GO UNAPPRECIATED. SO, MARINES, CELEBRATE MARINE WEEK.
- 19 AND THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

- 21 >>SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I HAVE TWO PRESENTATIONS TO MEMBERS OF MY
- 22 STAFF, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST LET ME ASK VIVIAN RISKALVO TO COME
- 23 FORWARD. VIVIAN RISKALVO HAS SERVED WITH DISTINCTION SINCE
- 24 MARCH OF 2005 AS MY TRANSPORTATION AND EDUCATION DEPUTY. AND
- 25 SHE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL M.T.A. ISSUES, ALL EDUCATION ISSUES



- 1 AND POLICY CONCERNING THE COUNTY REAL ESTATE ASSET OF MARINA
- 2 DEL REY, HAVING PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS DEPUTY FOR CHILDREN AND
- 3 FAMILY SERVICES, AND PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FROM 1994 TO 2000.
- 4 AND EARLIER STILL AS MY PLANNING DEPUTY WHEN I WAS ON THE CITY
- 5 COUNCIL FROM 1989 TO 1993. SO SHE SPENT A GOOD CHUNK OF HER
- 6 PROFESSIONAL CAREER WORKING WITH ME. SHE GAINED INVALUABLE
- 7 PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNMENT PRACTICE DIVISION OF
- 8 THE LAW FIRM OF ANNET, PHELPS AND PHILLIPS, FROM 2001 TO 2005,
- 9 BEFORE COMING TO HER SENSES AND REJOINING MY STAFF.
- 10 [LAUGHTER.] COMPLEMENTING HER PRIOR ACADEMIC TRAINING AS AN
- 11 URBAN STUDIES GRADUATE FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY IN SAN
- 12 FRANCISCO WITH A MASTERS IN URBAN PLANNING FROM THE UNIVERSITY
- OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES, U.C.L.A. HER 10 YEARS
- 14 TRANSPORTATION DEPUTY WAS DISTINGUISHED BY NUMEROUS
- 15 ACCOMPLISHMENTS ON KEY TRANSIT PROJECTS AND PRIORITIES FOR OUR
- 16 OFFICE. AMONG THEM, THE ORANGE LINE EXTENSION TO CHATSWORTH.
- 17 FULL FUNDING OF THE EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL LINE. AND COMPLETION
- 18 OF PHASE ONE FROM DOWNTOWN TO CULVER CITY. THE LAUNCH OF THE
- 19 WILSHIRE BUS RAPID TRANSIT LINE. COMMENCING WORK ON THE PURPLE
- 20 LINE WEST SIDE EXTENSION OF THE SUBWAY WHICH WE BREAK GROUND
- 21 ON LATER THIS WEEK. IMPLEMENTING THE MAJOR TRANSIT FUNDING
- 22 MEASURE R, RESTORING THE HISTORIC PASSENGER AND FREIGHT RAIL,
- 23 LANKERSHIM DEPOT, INSTITUTING RAIL LINE GATE LATCHING TO
- 24 MINIMIZE FARE EVASION, COUNTYWIDE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TAP
- 25 CARD FARE SYSTEM WITH ALL THE MUNICIPAL OPERATORS AND



- 1 INITIATING METRO'S COUNTY BIKE SHARE PROGRAM. SHE'S BEEN A
- 2 DEDICATED, CONSCIENTIOUS AND DETAIL-ORIENTED POLICY DEPUTY FOR
- 3 ONE OF THE MOST POLITICALLY AND PROGRAMMATICALLY COMPLEX
- 4 ISSUES FACING OUR REGION. ONE OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITIES FOR
- 5 OUR OFFICE AND ONE SURPASSING IMPORTANCE TO THE COMMUNITY. HER
- 6 ASTUTE MANAGEMENT OF THESE POLICIES AND PROGRAMS WILL HER TO
- 7 THE BENEFIT AND GRATITUDE OF FUTURE GENERATIONS OF RESIDENTS
- 8 AND TRANSIT USERS. SO THAT'S WHAT THE RESOLUTION SAYS. LET ME
- 9 JUST SAY A COUPLE OF PERSONAL WORDS. VIVIAN'S WORKED WITH ME
- 10 AS THE RESOLUTION SAID SINCE MY CITY COUNCIL DAYS. AND SHE
- 11 WASN'T EXACTLY-- THAT WASN'T EXACTLY A WALK IN THE PARK, BEING
- 12 A LAND-USE DEPUTY IN MY COUNCIL DISTRICT. IT WAS CRISIS ABOUT
- 13 7 TIMES A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK. SO THIS JOB HAS ACTUALLY BEEN,
- 14 RELATIVELY SPEAKING, A WALK IN THE PARK. SHE DOESN'T GET
- 15 SCREAMED AT BY PEOPLE AS OFTEN. SO THAT'S WHY I PUT HER INTO
- 16 THE 405 CONSTRUCTION MESS JUST TO GIVE HER A LITTLE NOSTALGIA
- 17 FOR WHAT IT USED TO BE LIKE FROM THE CITY. AND SHE DID AN
- 18 OUTSTANDING JOB IN WHAT HAS TO BE THE WORST PUBLIC WORKS
- 19 PROJECT THAT I'VE EVER HAD TO DEAL WITH IN MINE OR ANY OTHER
- 20 DISTRICT, FRANKLY. DEALING WITH RESIDENTS WHOSE HOMES WERE
- 21 DAMAGED, WHOSE VEHICLES WERE SIGNIFICANTLY COMPROMISED AND OF
- 22 COURSE WHOSE QUALITY OF LIFE WAS TOTALLY TRANSFORMED IN A
- 23 NEGATIVE WAY FOR FOUR OR FIVE YEARS. AND SHE WAS MY FACE OUT
- 24 THERE, MUCH BETTER FACE THAN I WOULD HAVE BEEN, FOR SURE. AND
- 25 TO THIS DAY I GET COMPLIMENTS FROM PEOPLE ABOUT THE REASSURING



- 1 NATURE OF VIVIAN'S REPRESENTATION, NOT ONLY OF OUR OFFICE BUT
- 2 ALSO BY EXTENSION OF METRO. SO, SHE'S SMART, SHE'S TOUGH.
- 3 SHE'S IMPATIENT. SHE'S REALLY THE KIND OF PERSON THAT I TEND
- 4 TO SURROUND MYSELF WITH. AND I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH ABOUT HER
- 5 ABILITY TO GET THINGS DONE. IN A FIELD WHERE BUILDING BIG
- 6 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS ARE IN HER PORTFOLIO, GETTING THINGS
- 7 DONE IS REALLY THE MEASURE OF SUCCESS. AND BY ANY MEASURE,
- 8 SHE'S BEEN EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL. SO, VIVIAN, I WANT TO THANK
- 9 YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO ME AND TO OUR OFFICE AND TO MY
- 10 CONSTITUENTS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOYALTY TO OUR
- 11 OFFICE, EXCEPT FOR THOSE FIVE YEARS WHEN YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE
- 12 GOING TO GET RICH AND FOUND OUT THE TRAFFIC TO THE WEST L.A.
- 13 AREA WAS TOO MUCH TO HANDLE AND WE WERE HAPPY TO GET YOU BACK.
- 14 AND IT WAS REALLY BLESSING JUST AS WE WERE GETTING READY TO DO
- 15 ALL THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE IN THE LAST 10 YEARS. I WISH
- 16 YOU WELL IN YOUR NEXT CHAPTER. I KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE
- 17 EXCITING FOR YOU AND EXCITING FOR US TO WATCH. AGAIN, THANK
- 18 YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT I'D LIKE TO ASK ELAN SCHULTZ TO
- 19 COME UP HERE. ELAN SCHULTZ, IN CASE I DIDN'T KNOW YOUR NAME,
- 20 HAS SERVED WITH DISTINCTION SINCE AUGUST 9TH, 2010 AS HEALTH
- 21 SERVICES DEPUTY FOR OUR DISTRICT, RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ISSUES
- 22 CONCERNING THE COUNTY'S HEALTH AND PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES,
- 23 HAVING PREVIOUSLY SERVED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 24 HANDLING SPECIAL PROJECTS AND ASSISTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
- 25 PUBLIC HEALTH AS A SEPARATE DEPARTMENT BEGINNING HIS COUNTY



- 1 CAREER AS MY ASSISTANT ON HEALTH DEPUTY-- AS MY ASSISTANT AND
- 2 ASSISTANT TO HEALTH DEPUTY RON HANSON FROM 1999 TO 2001. HE
- 3 GOT A VERY GOOD TUTELAGE UNDER RON. HIS NONGOVERNMENTAL HEALTH
- 4 POLICY AND PROGRAM EXPERIENCE INCLUDES WORKING FOR THE NEW
- 5 YORK-BASED INTERNATIONAL AGENCY IN GENDER HEALTH, PROMOTING
- 6 FAMILY PLANNING, MATERIAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND IMPROVED
- 7 ACCESS TO H.I.V./A.I.D.S. SERVICES ACROSS THE GLOBE,
- 8 COMPLIMENTING HIS ACADEMIC TRAINING AS A GRADUATE OF U.C.
- 9 BERKELEY IN PSYCHOLOGY AND A MASTER'S IN PUBLIC HEALTH FROM
- 10 COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY'S MAILMAN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH. HE HAS
- 11 BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT OF NUMEROUS
- 12 HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES INCLUDING THE
- 13 COUNTY'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE STATE TO REDUCE THE MEDICALLY
- 14 UNINSURED BY EXPANDING MEDI-CAL UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT,
- 15 IMPROVING HOW THE COUNTY PROVIDES CARE TO ITS NEEDIEST
- 16 RESIDENTS BY ESTABLISHING AN ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD SYSTEM,
- 17 REFORMING PRIMARY CARE DELIVERY TO THE RESIDUALLY UNINSURED
- 18 WITH THE CREATION OF MY HEALTH L.A., BUILDING NEW COMMUNITY
- 19 CLINICS ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES, MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS TO IMPROVE
- 20 AND EXPAND THE COUNTY'S HOSPITAL AND CLINIC FACILITIES, AND
- 21 PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY HEALTH
- 22 INITIATIVES TO PREVENT AND TREAT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND
- 23 PROMOTE A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE. HE HAS MANAGED HIS
- 24 RESPONSIBILITIES WITH A UNIQUE COMBINATION OF SCIENTIFIC AND
- 25 TECHNICAL EXPERTISE, FISCAL ACUMEN, SOPHISTICATED POLITICAL



- 1 UNDERSTANDING, FAULTLESS INSTINCTS AND JUDGMENT, UNFAILING
- 2 PROFESSIONALISM AND COLLEGIAL COOPERATION AND A PROFOUND SENSE
- 3 OF COMPASSION AND DEDICATION TO THE MISSION OF PROTECTING THE
- 4 HEALTH OF EVERYONE IN THIS COMMUNITY. SO ELAN, I WANTED TO SAY
- 5 WHAT A PRIVILEGE IT'S BEEN TO WATCH YOU SINCE YOU WERE BORN.
- 6 HIS DAD AND I GO BACK A LONG WAY UNTIL WE WERE KIDS. HIS LATE
- 7 MOTHER WHO WAS ONE OF OUR BEST AND CLOSEST FRIENDS, AND WAS
- 8 BARBARA'S ROOMMATE DURING MY COLLEGE YEARS. AND WHEN HE CAME
- 9 OUT OF COLLEGE, AND LOOKING FOR AN INTERNSHIP, I TESTED YOU. I
- 10 PUT YOU IN THE MOST COMPLICATED, RIDICULOUSLY INEXPLICABLE,
- 11 UNEXPLAINABLE FIELD OF HEALTHCARE FINANCE, AND YOU DID A HELL
- 12 OF A JOB. AND WE HIRED YOU. YOU WORKED UNDER RON. AND IT WAS A
- 13 FULL-TIME JOB. AND THEN YOU CAME BACK FROM PUBLIC HEALTH AFTER
- 14 A PRETTY GOOD STINT OVER THERE TO TAKE THE TOP JOB. AND YOU
- 15 HAVE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB FOR ME, FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS, FOR
- 16 RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR BOARD COLLEAGUES, WITH THE DEPARTMENT
- 17 OF HEALTH SERVICES AND PUBLIC HEALTH. YOU'RE A GREAT RESOURCE
- 18 FOR THIS COUNTY. AND IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE FOR ME TO SEE HOW
- 19 YOU HAVE GROWN AND BECOME REALLY ONE OF THE TOP HEALTHCARE
- 20 MINDS IN YOUR PROFESSION AS AN ADVISER TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS.
- 21 AND I THINK YOU'VE GOT A GREAT AND LONG CAREER AHEAD OF YOU. I
- 22 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR ADVICE. I
- 23 DON'T THANK YOU FOR YOUR LONG MEMOS, SOMETHING YOU NEED TO
- 24 WORK ON. [LAUGHTER.] BUT REMEMBER WHAT THEY TAUGHT YOU IN
- 25 ENGLISH: TOPIC SENTENCES. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. [LAUGHTER.] BUT

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- 1 THE ONE THING YOU KNOW WHEN YOU GET A MEMO FROM ELAN, EVERY
- 2 ANGLE OF THE ISSUE HAS BEEN VETTED AND ANALYZED FOR YOU. SO
- 3 IT'S ENCYCLOPEDIC KNOWLEDGE WOULD BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT. BUT,
- 4 SERIOUSLY, YOU KNOW, AS I'VE SAID BEFORE, THERE ARE A LOT OF
- 5 THINGS I WON'T MISS ABOUT THIS JOB, BUT WORKING WITH YOU WILL
- 6 BE ONE OF THOSE THINGS. BUT I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A
- 7 GREAT CAREER AHEAD. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW THAT
- 8 TURNS OUT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE. [APPLAUSE.]
- 9 THAT'S IT, MR. CHAIRMAN.

- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU, ZEV. I'M GOING TO ASK REGGIE
- 12 TODD AND HIS WIFE SARAH LEE TO JOIN ME ALONG WITH OUR C.E.O.,
- 13 BILL FUJIOKA, RYAN ALLSOP, RED CAMPBELL AND CAROL BYERS.
- 14 NOVEMBER AS I SAID UPSTAIRS, NOVEMBER IS GOING TO BE A VERY
- 15 UNIQUE MONTH FOR ALL OF US. IT'S TIME TO SAY GOODBYE TO MANY
- 16 MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY FAMILY, MANY YEARS OF INSTITUTIONAL
- 17 KNOWLEDGE, ALL THAT HAVE WORKED TO BENEFIT AND MAKE LOS
- 18 ANGELES COUNTY A STABLE AND BETTER PLACE TO LIVE AND WORK. AND
- 19 ONE OF THOSE WE'RE GOING TO START WITH TODAY FIRST AND THAT'S
- 20 REGGIE TODD. IT'S REALLY BITTERSWEET I THINK FOR ALL OF US TO
- 21 SAY GOODBYE TO REGGIE. HE HAS BEEN OUR VOICE, OR AS I CALL
- 22 HIM, OUR QUARTERBACK IN WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR 16 YEARS. THERE
- 23 IS NO ONE THAT I COULD THINK OF THAT COULD SPEAK WITH MORE
- 24 AUTHORITY, HAVE ACCESS TO BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE FROM THE
- 25 WHITE HOUSE DOWN TO THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO WHATEVER IS



- 1 NEEDED TO BE DONE AND COULD SPEAK WITH MORE AUTHORITY AND
- 2 EXPERTISE WHEN IT COMES TO NAVIGATING THE POLITICAL CLIMATE IN
- 3 WASHINGTON, D.C. THAT IS UNIQUE AND OVERWHELMING AT TIMES. BUT
- 4 THOSE FOR US IN THE LARGEST COUNTY IN AMERICA, IT BECOMES VERY
- 5 IMPORTANT, OBVIOUSLY, WITH A \$26 BILLION BUDGET AND THE
- 6 MANDATES THAT COME WITH THAT FROM OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
- 7 WE'VE HAD, AS A BOARD, HAD A VERY POWERFUL PRESENCE ON THE
- 8 HILL, THE WHITE HOUSE, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES,
- 9 BETTER KNOWN AS N.A.C.O., AND THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE AS I
- 10 MENTION, AS THE LARGEST COUNTY IN AMERICA, OUR ISSUES ARE LESS
- 11 ABOUT NATIONAL POLITICS AND MORE ON THE IMPORTANT WORK DEALING
- 12 WITH THE SAFETY NET AND WHAT WE NEED TO ACCOMPLISH RIGHT HERE
- 13 IN OUR OWN STREETS, HOSPITALS AND NEIGHBORHOODS. AND IN THE
- 14 SERVICE AS THE ULTIMATE SAFETY NET FOR THOSE IN NEED. OUR WORK
- 15 IN WASHINGTON SPANS A VERY WIDE RANGE OF AREAS, INCLUDING
- 16 HEALTHCARE, CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING, WELFARE, PUBLIC SAFETY,
- 17 TRANSPORTATION, IMMIGRATION REFORM, TO NAME JUST A FEW OF THE
- 18 BIG ONES THAT YOU READ IN THE PAPERS EACH AND EVERY DAY. AND
- 19 WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO GET OUR MESSAGE ACROSS BACK THERE IN
- 20 WASHINGTON. AND THAT'S IN LARGE PART DUE TO REGGIE'S
- 21 DILIGENCE, HIS IN DEPTH KNOWLEDGE, HIS STEADY HAND. SOMETIMES
- 22 HE GETS LOST WALKING THE HALLS BUT OTHER THAN THAT HE'S GOT A
- 23 STEADY HAND. HIS CREDIBILITY AND HIS PASSION FOR PUBLIC
- 24 SERVICE. HE ALSO JUST HAPPENS TO BE A GREAT GUY AND WE'VE ALL
- 25 ENJOYED THAT RELATIONSHIP WITH REGGIE AND HIS TEAM BACK THERE,

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- 1 OUR COUNTY FAMILY AND ALL THE PEOPLE THAT THEY HAVE TO WORK
- 2 WITH AND QUARTERBACK FROM THE VARIOUS LOBBYING COMPANIES THAT
- 3 WE DO EMPLOY BACK THERE. AND WHILE I AND OTHERS WOULD HAVE
- 4 LOVED TO HAVE REGGIE STAY MUCH LONGER, I DO KNOW WHAT WE'RE UP
- 5 AGAINST. HE HAS SHOWN ME PICTURES OF HIS BEAUTIFUL
- 6 GRANDDAUGHTER AT LEAST 67 TIMES ON THIS TRIP ALONE, AND HE
- 7 HASN'T BEEN HERE 24 HOURS. SO I KNEW THAT WE DIDN'T STAND A
- 8 CHANCE. BUT, REGGIE, I THINK WE ARE ALL GRATEFUL FOR WHAT YOU
- 9 HAVE DONE ON BEHALF OF THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF THIS GREAT
- 10 COUNTY. OF THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD. WE TRULY APPRECIATE
- 11 YOUR LEADERSHIP AND GETTING THE JOB DONE FOR US IN A VERY,
- 12 VERY DIFFICULT AREA TO WORK IN AND THAT'S WASHINGTON, D.C. SO
- 13 WE WISH YOU THE BEST IN YOUR RETIREMENT. MAY YOUR PICTURES OF
- 14 YOUR GRANDDAUGHTER BE LIVE AND IN PERSON INSTEAD OF A PHOTO.
- 15 WE KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO DO THAT, AS WELL. BUT WE THANK YOU FOR
- 16 YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTY AND I THINK WE ALL THANK YOU MOST
- 17 IMPORTANTLY FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP. [APPLAUSE.] COULD I ASK MY
- 18 COLLEAGUES TO JOIN ME FOR A PHOTO, PLEASE? GLORIA, PHOTO
- 19 PLEASE?

21 SUP. MOLINA: I WANTED TO SAY A FEW KIND WORDS.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YOU WILL. MEMBERS, DO YOU WANT THE SPEAK
- 24 FIRST OR YOU WANT TO LET REGGIE SPEAK FIRST?

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1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SAY A FEW WORDS.

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- 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SAY A FEW WORDS, REG. THESE COULD BE THE
- 4 LAST NICE WORDS YOU HEAR, BUDDY. GLORIA?

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- 6 SUP. MOLINA: WELL FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
- 7 SERVICE TO THE COUNTY, REGGIE. I PARTICULARLY WANT TO THANK
- 8 YOU FOR ALL THE ASSISTANCE YOU'VE DONE FOR MY OFFICE AND ALL
- 9 THE SUPERVISORS. THIS IS MY LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS AND I CAN'T
- 10 TURN ON A MIC, THAT'S PRETTY BAD. [LAUGHTER.] ALTHOUGH PEOPLE
- 11 CAN HEAR ME USUALLY. WELL LET ME JUST BEGIN AGAIN BY
- 12 PERSONALLY THANKING YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO US. I THINK IT'S
- 13 BEEN TERRIFIC. BUT I PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE THE KIND OF
- 14 LEADERSHIP THAT YOU'VE PROVIDED TO ALL OF US. WHEN WE DO NOT
- 15 ONLY ON OUR TRIPS BUT WHEN WE HAVE A QUESTION, WHEN WE NEED AN
- 16 ANSWER, WHEN WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. YOU'VE ALWAYS
- 17 BEEN THERE. WE APPRECIATE IT. AND YOU ARE, YOU'RE JUST
- 18 TREMENDOUSLY FUN TO VISIT WITH AND ENJOY THE CAPITAL BUT MORE
- 19 IMPORTANTLY THE KIND OF CONNECTIONS THAT YOU HAVE ALSO SAY
- 20 PEOPLE RESPECT AND ADMIRE THE WORK THAT YOU DO. YOU'RE VERY
- 21 TALENTED. WE THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE TO US AND I
- 22 PERSONALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP FOR ME. THANK YOU, SIR.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE PAST 16
- 25 YEARS OF GOOD SERVICE, GOOD FRIENDSHIP. AND IT'S ALWAYS

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- 1 APPRECIATIVE, YOUR ASSISTANCE WITH MY STAFF AND MYSELF WHEN WE
- 2 HAVE THE VARIOUS ISSUES DEALING WITH WASHINGTON. BUT AS I
- 3 SAID, YOU'RE MUCH TOO YOUNG TO RETIRE. BUT ENJOY THE
- 4 GRANDCHILDREN BECAUSE THE BEST GIFT YOU CAN GIVE THEM IS TIME.

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6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ZEV?

- 8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I JUST WANT TO THANK REGGIE FOR HIS SERVICE
- 9 TO THE COUNTY, FOR HIS INCREDIBLE ABILITY TO CONDENSE THE
- 10 COMPLEX POLITICAL VICISSITUDES OF WASHINGTON INTO A SHORT CAB
- 11 RIDE FROM THE AIRPORT INTO TOWN JUST TO LET US KNOW EXACTLY
- 12 WHAT THE LATEST IS. I THINK MOST PEOPLE, EVEN IN THE COUNTY
- 13 FAMILY, DON'T APPRECIATE HOW MUCH WE RELY ON YOU AND YOUR
- 14 OFFICE, OUR OFFICE IN WASHINGTON, AND TO HAVE QUALITY
- 15 INFORMATION TO BASE SOME JUDGMENTS ON IS CRITICAL. IF YOU
- 16 DON'T HAVE THE INFORMATION, THE ACCURATE INFORMATION, THEN
- 17 YOU'RE DOING YOURSELF MORE HARM THAN GOOD. AND YOU HAVE ALWAYS
- 18 MADE SURE THAT WE WERE KEPT OUT OF HARM'S WAY. AND YOU'RE ALSO
- 19 PRAGMATIC. AND YOU KNOW WHAT'S POSSIBLE AND WHAT ISN'T
- 20 POSSIBLE. AND I THINK YOU GAVE US SOME VERY GOOD ADVICE ALONG
- 21 THE WAY. AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP. YOU'VE BEEN--
- 22 I'VE KNOWN YOU SINCE MY CITY DAYS WHEN YOU WERE ON THE OTHER
- 23 SIDE AT N.A.C.O. AND I WAS SO DELIGHTED WHEN YOU WERE HIRED TO
- 24 RUN OUR OFFICE IN WASHINGTON. AND YOU'VE DONE A GREAT JOB, AND

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- 1 YOU WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY THE BOARD AND BY THE COUNTY
- 2 FAMILY. THANKS, REGGIE.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MARK?

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- 6 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. REGGIE,
- 7 LET ME JUST SIMPLY ADD MY VOICE TO THOSE WHO AFFIRM YOUR
- 8 IMAGINATION, YOUR CREATIVITY, YOUR DILIGENCE, YOUR SENSE OF
- 9 BEING OF SERVICE. AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE SHOULD BE
- 10 REMINDED THAT IT IS NOT ONLY 16 YEARS WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 11 ANGELES, BUT THE BACKDROP IS NEARLY 40 YEARS IN PUBLIC SERVICE
- 12 AND THAT ALL BY ITSELF IS NOTEWORTHY. FOR ME PERSONALLY, YOU
- 13 HAVE BEEN VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. YOUR LEADERSHIP, YOUR BEING A
- 14 ROLE MODEL FOR MANY INDIVIDUALS WHO SEE HOW YOU CONDUCT
- 15 YOURSELF, THE PROFESSIONALISM WITH WHICH YOU REPORT. IT MEANS
- 16 A LOT, SPOKEN AND UNSPOKEN. THE CHARACTER OF A MAN IS IN MANY
- 17 RESPECTS NOT ONLY, MR. CHAIRMAN, INDICATED BY HIS REGARD FOR
- 18 HIS GRANDCHILDREN OR GRANDCHILD BUT IN FACT HOW HE SEES
- 19 HIMSELF AS A FATHER. THERE HAVE BEEN SO MANY OCCASIONS ON
- 20 WHICH WE SHARED THE HIGHS OF FATHERHOOD. AND YOU CONTINUED TO
- 21 HAVE THEM. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE TOTAL REGGIE TODD. THE
- 22 LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE, THE LEADER, THE FATHER, THE HUSBAND, THE
- 23 MAN WHO WE RESPECT DEEPLY. ALL THE BEST AND GOD BLESS YOU,
- 24 REGGIE.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. YOU SHARED THE HIGHS OF
- 2 FATHERHOOD, RIGHT? THAT'S THE GREAT THING ABOUT GRANDCHILDREN
- 3 IS GOD'S REWARD FOR SURVIVING YOUR OWN KIDS. [LAUGHTER.]
- 4 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MR. REGGIE TODD. [APPLAUSE.]

- 6 REGGIE TODD: THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE, AND THANKS TO ALL THE
- 7 SUPERVISORS. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW HUMBLED AND GRATIFIED I AM
- 8 BY THE KIND WORDS YOU HAVE EXPRESSED REGARDING MY TENURE IN
- 9 WASHINGTON. REALLY, THE HONOR HAS BEEN INDEED MINE. IT'S BEEN
- 10 A PRIVILEGE TO REPRESENT THIS BOARD, WHICH REPRESENTS OUR
- 11 COUNTY SO WELL. EACH AND EVERY DAY YOU MAKE SACRIFICES, BUT
- 12 YOU MAKE THOSE SACRIFICES ON BEHALF OF THOSE WHO ARE LEAST
- 13 VISIBLE AND LESS FORTUNATE IN OUR SOCIETY. AND THERE'S NOTHING
- 14 MORE COMPELLING THAN BEING A PART OF THAT TEAM THAT IS SENDING
- 15 THOSE MESSAGES OUT AND DOING THOSE DEEDS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
- 16 IN THE LIVES OF INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I WOULD BE
- 17 VERY REMISS IF I DIDN'T THANK MY TEAM BACK IN WASHINGTON, TWO
- 18 OF WHOM ARE HERE TODAY, CAROL BYERS, MY WONDERFUL OFFICE
- 19 MANAGER, MORE THAN OFFICE MANAGER, SHE MAKES EVERYTHING WORK
- 20 FROM DAY-TO-DAY. SHE'S JUST EXCEPTIONAL. WORDS DON'T REALLY
- 21 ADEQUATELY EXPRESS HOW MEANINGFUL SHE HAS BEEN TO ME OVER ALL
- 22 THESE YEARS. AND CERTAINLY GREG CAMPBELL, GREG, MY DEPUTY,
- 23 GREG, INSIGHTFUL ANALYSIS, FOLLOW THROUGH, TENACIOUSNESS,
- 24 RESOURCEFULNESS TO ENABLE OUR OFFICE TO GET THINGS DONE. SO
- 25 I'M REALLY SO FORTUNATE IN THAT REGARD. AND OUR TEAM OF

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- 1 ADVOCATES BACK IN WASHINGTON WHO FOUGHT TENACIOUSLY, AS WELL,
- 2 ON ISSUES OF CONCERN TO THE COUNTY. PARAMOUNT, AS ALWAYS,
- 3 MEDICAID AND TAKING CARE OF THOSE FOLKS IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT
- 4 ARE LESS FORTUNATE. SO, I FEEL VERY BLESSED AND FORTUNATE TO
- 5 HAVE AGAIN HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE COUNTY OVER THESE
- 6 16-1/2 YEARS AND PARAMOUNT ABOVE ALL ARE THE FRIENDSHIPS THAT
- 7 I WILL ALWAYS CHERISH AND TREASURE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
- 8 [APPLAUSE.]

- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: GET EVERYONE UP HERE. BILL, RYAN, GET A
- 11 TEAM PHOTO WITH REGGIE. GREG? CAROL? EVERYONE. LADIES AND
- 12 GENTLEMEN, REGGIE TODD, WE'RE GOING TO MISS HIM. [APPLAUSE.]
- 13 ALL RIGHT. NOW AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO CALL UP OUR DIRECTOR
- 14 OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, SHERYL SPILLER, ALONG WITH OUR
- 15 DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, LISA GARRETT, OUR DIRECTOR OF VETERANS
- 16 AFFAIRS, GENERAL RUTH WONG AND JOINING THEM ARE BEN EFFINGER,
- 17 WHO IS A MANAGER FELLOW WITH T.T.C. AND ALSO AN AIR FORCE
- 18 VETERAN AND ARIAN BASOKO, WHO IS A VETERAN INTERN WITH
- 19 D.P.S.S. AND ALSO A NAVY VETERAN. GO NAVY. IT'S A PLEASURE TO
- 20 ASK MY FELLOW BOARD MEMBERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EVERYONE IN
- 21 THE AUDIENCE TO JOIN US AS WE HONOR AND SALUTE THE MEN AND
- 22 WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED IN UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN
- 23 RECOGNITION OF VETERANS DAY, VETERANS DAY, AS YOU KNOW, IS A
- 24 FEDERAL HOLIDAY THAT IS OBSERVED ANNUALLY ON NOVEMBER 11TH AND
- 25 MARKS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WORLD WAR I. VETERANS DAY

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- 1 ALSO CELEBRATES THE SERVICE OF ALL OF OUR U.S. MILITARY
- 2 VETERANS. ONE OF THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES FACING RETURNING
- 3 VETERANS IS FINDING AN APPROPRIATE JOB. TODAY WE RECOGNIZE THE
- 4 SUPPORT OF COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHO HAVE EMBRACED THE CONCEPT OF
- 5 MAKING LOS ANGELES COUNTY THE EMPLOYER OF CHOICE FOR VETERANS.
- 6 THIS IS SIGNIFICANTLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE FINDING A JOB CAN BE
- 7 THE MOST DIFFICULT PART OF TRANSITIONING BACK TO CIVILIAN
- 8 LIFE. OVER THE PAST YEAR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS HIRED OVER
- 9 200 VETERAN INTERNS ACROSS 13 DEPARTMENTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT
- 10 WE HAVE SOME OF OUR VETERAN INTERNS IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY.
- 11 WE'D LIKE TO HAVE THEM PLEASE STAND UP AND RECOGNIZE YOU AND
- 12 GIVE YOU A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE THANK YOU AND WELCOME YOU TO THE
- 15 COUNTY, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO
- 16 AMERICA. THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME WE WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
- 17 HIRING EFFORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES WHO
- 18 BOLDLY MADE A COMMITMENT. CAN WE KEEP IT DOWN OVER THERE?
- 19 PAUL, CAN WE? THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WHO BOLDLY
- 20 MADE A COMMITMENT TO HIRE 100 VETERANS AS PART OF THE COUNTY'S
- 21 VETERAN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT THEY HAVE
- 22 SUCCESSFULLY MET THEIR GOAL BY HIRING 102 VETERAN INTERNS.
- 23 [APPLAUSE.] SO, SHERYL, IT'S MY HONOR ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD
- 24 TO PRESENT YOU THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF THAT BOLD
- 25 COMMITMENT AND HONORING THAT COMMITMENT.

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- 2 SHERYL SPILLER: THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 3 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIR AND THE
- 4 ENTIRE BOARD FOR THE RECOGNITION AND ALSO TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 5 HUMAN RESOURCES FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN ESTABLISHING THE
- 6 PROGRAM. AND IN PARTICULAR, CARLA WILLIAMS FOR HER SUPPORT TO
- 7 MY DEPARTMENT. I MUST ALSO THANK MY HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF
- 8 UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF KATHY O'BRIEN AND ELIZABETH GARCIA.
- 9 THE STAFF REALLY TOOK THIS PROGRAM TO HEART. NOT ONLY HAVE
- 10 THEY DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB OF RECRUITING AND HIRING, ONCE THE
- 11 VETS ARE ON BOARD, THEY HAVE QUARTERLY MEETINGS TO ENSURE THAT
- 12 THEY STAY ON TRACK FOR A CAREER WITH THE COUNTY. TO DATE, THE
- 13 DEPARTMENT HAS ACTUALLY HIRED 120 VETERANS, FROM ALL THE
- 14 BRANCHES OF THE MILITARY. THIS PROGRAM HAS CERTAINLY BEEN A
- 15 WIN/WIN FOR BOTH THE COUNTY AND THE VETERANS. WE'VE GAINED
- 16 SOME HIGHLY SKILLED, MOTIVATED STAFF. AND THEY'VE GAINED THE
- 17 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK FOR ONE OF THE BEST EMPLOYERS IN THE
- 18 NATION, L.A. COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.] D.P.S.S. IS PROUD TO
- 19 PARTICIPATE IN THE VETERANS' INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND WE LOOK
- 20 FORWARD TO EXPANDING OUR VETERAN WORKFORCE. THANK YOU.
- 21 [APPLAUSE.]

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: NOW I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR DIRECTOR OF
- 24 MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, GENERAL RUTH WONG TO SAY A FEW

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- 1 WORDS ABOUT WHAT THE COUNTY IS DOING TO ASSIST RETURNING
- 2 VETERANS IN FINDING WORK. GENERAL WONG?

- 4 GEN. RUTH WONG: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. TO THE BOARD OF
- 5 SUPERVISORS, ALL THE U.S. ARMED FORCES VETERANS OUT THERE AND
- 6 THOSE WATCHING OVER THEIR TELEVISIONS AND SPECIAL GUESTS, ON
- 7 BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, WE
- 8 ARE PROUD TO HONOR OUR MILITARY WHO ARE CURRENTLY SERVING AND
- 9 OUR VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE U.S. ARMED FORCES. FROM
- 10 WORLD WAR II TO THOSE SOLDIERS, MARINES, SAILORS, AIRMEN AND
- 11 COASTGUARDSMEN RETURNING FROM IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN,
- 12 TRANSITIONING FROM COMBAT TO COMMUNITY IS SOMETIMES DIFFICULT
- 13 FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN, WHO RETURN TO THEIR COMMUNITIES IN LOS
- 14 ANGELES COUNTY. NEXT WEEK WE OFFICIALLY UNVEIL OUR VETERANS'
- 15 ONE STOP SERVICE CENTER WHICH FOCUSES ON PROVIDING THE FULL
- 16 SPECTRUM OF SERVICES TO OUR HONORED HEROES AND HELPING THEM
- 17 TRANSITION BACK INTO THEIR COMMUNITIES. 10 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
- 18 AND 15 VETERANS AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ARE PARTNERING
- 19 WITH US TO ASSIST WITH VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION BENEFIT
- 20 CLAIMS, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, HOUSING, LEGAL SERVICES,
- 21 EMPLOYMENT, JOB TRAINING AND PLACEMENT, HEALTH AND FITNESS,
- 22 EDUCATION, EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AS WELL AS ACCESS TO ALL OF
- 23 THE L.A. COUNTY SERVICES. FOR THOSE VETERANS WHO ARE NOT SURE
- 24 OF WHAT THEY NEED, WE HAVE STAFF TO ASSESS THEIR NEEDS AND
- 25 DIRECT THEM TO THE RIGHT AGENCY. WE PROVIDE ALL SERVICES UNDER

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- 1 ONE ROOF AT PATRIOTIC HALL. THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 2 FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF OUR MILITARY AND VETERAN
- 3 COMMUNITY. AND TO OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES, HAPPY
- 4 VETERANS DAY AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY.
- 5 [APPLAUSE.]

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NOW I'M GOING TO ASK OUR
- 8 DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, LISA GARRETT, TO JOIN US. AND SHE HAS A
- 9 SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO MAKE TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND
- 10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

- 12 LISA GARRETT: GOOD MORNING. AND THANK YOU. IT IS A PLEASURE TO
- 13 GIVE A HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR
- 14 SUPPORT OF THE VETERANS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND SPECIFICALLY TO
- 15 SUPERVISORS MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR
- 16 MENTIONED THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE BEEN HIRED IN
- 17 THE VETERANS' INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, AND SINCE ITS INCEPTION
- 18 DURING YOUR TENURE HERE, WE HAVE HIRED 325 VETERAN INTERNS IN
- 19 21 DEPARTMENTS. I THINK THAT DESERVES A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
- 20 [APPLAUSE.] AND OF THOSE, 152 HAVE GONE ON TO PERMANENT COUNTY
- 21 EMPLOYMENT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, I'M
- 22 SORRY, WE WANT TO ESPECIALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK IN THE
- 23 VETERANS' COMMUNITY AND WHAT YOU'VE DONE HERE IN LOS ANGELES
- 24 COUNTY. AND WE'RE NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT JOBS, BUT ALSO
- 25 HOUSING AND MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES THAT I

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- 1 PERSONALLY WORKED ON FOR YOUR OFFICES. TO JOIN ME IN THANKING
- 2 YOU, WE HAVE TWO OF OUR VETERAN INTERNS, AND ONE IS BEN
- 3 EFFINGER AND ARIANA BASOKO. CAN YOU COME UP? BEN IS A
- 4 MANAGEMENT FELLOW AND, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU MIGHT KNOW
- 5 THIS INITIATIVE STARTED, THE MANAGEMENT FELLOW INITIATIVE
- 6 STARTED IN YOUR OFFICE, BUT BEN IS A MANAGEMENT FELLOW WITH
- 7 THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR. HE SERVED OUR COUNTRY FOR
- 8 EIGHT YEARS AS A MILITARY POLICE OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES
- 9 AIR FORCE. WHILE STATIONED AT ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, BEN WAS
- 10 ASSIGNED TO THE PRESIDENTIAL SECURITY DETAIL FOR AIR FORCE
- 11 ONE. HE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING AT LEAST TWO OF OUR
- 12 PRESIDENTS. IN 2005, DURING OPERATION IRAOI FREEDOM, BEN WAS
- 13 DEPLOYED TO IRAQ. NEXT WE HAVE ARIANA. ARIANA IS A VETERAN
- 14 INTERN WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. SHE
- 15 SERVED IN THE U.S. NAVY FOR FIVE YEARS AS AN AVIATION BOAT-
- 16 SWAIN MATE HANDLER-- THAT IS A MOUTHFUL TO SAY-- ON DWIGHT D.
- 17 EISENHOWER DURING OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. HER
- 18 RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDED AIRCRAFT HANDLING, FIRE FIGHTING AND
- 19 SALVAGE AND RESCUE OPERATIONS. SO BEN AND ARIANA ARE GOING TO
- 20 JOIN RUTH WONG TO PRESENT EACH OF YOU WITH TWO LAPEL PINS, ONE
- 21 REPRESENTING THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND THE
- 22 SECOND IS A SYMBOL OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM CAMPAIGN. AND
- 23 THEN RUTH HAS TWO OTHER GIFTS FOR YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 1 GEN. RUTH WONG: THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WAS
- 2 FLOWN OVER THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL ON OCTOBER 23, 2014. AT
- 3 THE REQUEST OF HONORABLE DIANE FEINSTEIN, UNITED STATES
- 4 SENATOR, THIS FLAG WAS FLOWN TO REPRESENT AND HONOR THE WORK
- 5 THAT YOU TWO SUPERVISORS HAVE DONE HERE. IN HONOR OF YOUR
- 6 RETIREMENT FOR COUNTY SERVICES, CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU
- 7 FOR YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. CHAIRMAN, ONCE AGAIN WE RECOGNIZE
- 12 HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH IN L.A. COUNTY. WITH US TODAY IS
- 13 SHARON, SHARI AND HER SON JOSH, HER HUSBAND SATY, AND DAUGHTER
- 14 BECKY. THIS IS A VERY SERIOUS NEUROLOGICAL CONDITION THAT
- 15 CAUSES THE ABNORMAL BUILDUP OF CEREBRAL SPINAL FLUIDS IN THE
- 16 BRAIN. WHILE THERE'S NO CURE, IT'S ESTIMATED THAT 1 MILLION
- 17 AMERICANS' TREATMENT FOR THIS EXCEEDS \$1 BILLION A YEAR. WITH
- 18 APPROPRIATE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF PEOPLE WITH
- 19 HYDROCEPHALUS ARE ABLE TO LIVE FULL AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES, AND
- 20 THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. SO SHARON'S SON AND SATY'S SON JOSH WAS
- 21 DIAGNOSED AT EIGHT MONTHS OF AGE. AND SO SHE AND HER FAMILY
- 22 AND HIS SISTER HAVE SHOWN GREAT COURAGE TO RAISE AWARENESS TO
- 23 THIS. AND WE HOPE IN THE FUTURE THROUGH ADDITIONAL RESEARCH
- 24 THAT WE'RE GOING TO FIND THE ABILITY TO RESOLVE THIS SERIOUS
- 25 ILLNESS. SO LET ME GIVE THIS PROCLAMATION ONCE AGAIN. AND IT

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- 1 DOESN'T SEEM-- LIKE I SAID LAST TIME-- IT WAS A YEAR SINCE YOU
- 2 WERE HERE. YOU'VE GOTTEN MUCH TALLER AND GROWING AND YOUR
- 3 SISTER IS MORE BEAUTIFUL. SO WE JUST THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING.
- 4 WE'LL GIVE YOU THIS AND TAKE A PICTURE. [APPLAUSE.]

- 6 SHARON RAGHAVACHARY: THANK YOU, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
- 7 THIS IS OUR NINTH VISIT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO GET
- 8 THIS PROCLAMATION FOR HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS. AND I WISH I
- 9 COULD SAY THAT IN THE NINE YEARS, THAT THERE'S BEEN GREAT
- 10 BREAKTHROUGHS IN TREATMENT AND UNFORTUNATELY THAT'S NOT THE
- 11 CASE. WE STILL SAY IN THE HYDROCEPHALUS COMMUNITY THAT SIX IS
- 12 TYPICAL. AND 100 IS NOT UNHEARD OF. THAT MEANS BRAIN
- 13 SURGERIES. SOME OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE UP TO 100 BRAIN
- 14 SURGERIES BEFORE THEY REACH ADULTHOOD. JOSH IS FORTUNATE. I
- 15 MEAN, WE SAY HE'S FORTUNATE, HE'S ONLY HAD TWO. SO TO US THAT
- 16 SOUNDS LIKE NOT OF. BUT TO YOU PROBABLY SOUNDS LIKE TWO BRAIN
- 17 SURGERIES BEFORE HE'S TEN. SO WE'RE HOPING WITH AWARENESS, THE
- 18 AWARENESS COMES MONEY. AND IT ALWAYS COMES DOWN TO RESEARCH
- 19 DOLLARS. THE TREATMENT FOR HYDROCEPHALUS HAS BEEN IN PLACE
- 20 SINCE THE MID '50S AND IT HASN'T CHANGED A BIT. THE SHUNTS
- 21 THAT HE HAS, HE HAS A SHUNT IN HIS HEAD THAT DRAINS THE FLUID
- 22 OFF. AND IT'S PERMANENT. HYDROCEPHALUS SHUNTS ARE FOREVER. AND
- 23 THEY FAIL 90 PERCENT OF THE TIME WITHIN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS.
- 24 HIS HAS BEEN IN SINCE HE WAS TWO. SO WE KNOW THAT ANOTHER
- 25 SURGERY COULD BE RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER. UNFORTUNATELY, THE

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- 1 DOLLARS JUST AREN'T THERE. SO WITH AWARENESS, WE HOPE THAT AS
- 2 MORE PEOPLE LEARN OF THE CONDITION, IT'S 1 IN 500 KIDS. IT'S
- 3 MORE COMMON THAN JUVENILE DIABETES. SO WITH MORE AWARENESS, WE
- 4 JUST HOPE THE RAISE THE DOLLARS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
- 5 [APPLAUSE.]

- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: TODAY WE'RE RECOGNIZING THE LOS ANGELES
- 8 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT'S PULSEPOINT, AND RICHARD PRICE WHO IS
- 9 A RETIRED FIRE CAPTAIN WITH THE SAN RAMON VALLEY FIRE
- 10 PROTECTION DISTRICT WHO HAS USED HIS TECHNICAL BACKGROUND TO
- 11 CREATE PULSEPOINT. THE FIRST MOBILE APP THAT ALLOWS USERS
- 12 TRAINED IN C.P.R. TO RECEIVE ALERTS ON THEIR MOBILE DEVICE
- 13 WHENEVER SOMEONE IN THEIR AREA HAS SUFFERED CARDIAC ARREST.
- 14 SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST IS A LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN OUR
- 15 UNITED STATES FOR AN ESTIMATED 325,000 DEATHS A YEAR. NEARLY
- 1,000 PEOPLE A DAY OR 1 PERSON EVERY TWO MINUTES. DELIVERY OF
- 17 C.P.R. IS LIFESAVING FIRST AID AND CAN SUSTAIN LIFE UNTIL
- 18 PARAMEDICS ARRIVE BY HELPING TO MAINTAIN THE VITAL BLOOD AND
- 19 HEART AND BRAIN THAT FLOW TO THE HEART AND BRAIN. WITHOUT
- 20 OXYGEN, PERMANENT BRAIN DAMAGE OR DEATH WILL OCCUR WITHIN LESS
- 21 THAN EIGHT MINUTES. AFTER 10 MINUTES, THERE'S LITTLE CHANCE OF
- 22 A SUCCESSFUL RESUSCITATION. PULSEPOINT PLAYS A VERY VITAL ROLE
- 23 IN REDUCING THAT NUMBER OF DEATHS BY REDUCING THE TIME BETWEEN
- 24 THE FIRST CONTACT AND THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST RESPONDERS. SO
- 25 TODAY WE HAVE THE WIRELESS FOUNDATION, CAPTAIN THOMAS

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- 1 RICHARDS, AND RETIRED CAPTAIN ANTHONY PIN, CARDIAC ARREST
- 2 VICTIM. LET ME GIVE THIS PROCLAMATION TO RICHARD PRICE. AND
- 3 CAPTAIN THOMAS RICHARDS. AND OUR GREAT CHIEF OSBY. WHICH ORDER
- 4 DO YOU WANT THE SPEAK IN?

- 6 CHIEF DARYL OSBY: GOOD MORNING. DARYL OSBY, FIRE CHIEF, LOS
- 7 ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. HONORABLE CHAIR, HONORABLE
- 8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE
- 9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK
- 10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR RECOGNIZING OUR EFFORTS AS IT
- 11 RELATES TO PULSEPOINT AND CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS TO PROTECT
- 12 AND SERVE THE LIVES OF THE POPULATION HERE IN LOS ANGELES
- 13 COUNTY. IN PARTICULAR, WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE
- 14 RICHARD PRICE, THE FOUNDER OF PULSEPOINT, FOR HIS VISION IN
- 15 RELATION TO THIS DEPARTMENT AND THE WIRELESS FOUNDATION WHO'S
- 16 WORKED WITH THE DEPARTMENT STAFF FOR OVER A YEAR TO IMPLEMENT
- 17 THIS PROCESS. IN CONCLUSION I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO RECOGNIZE
- 18 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS BECAUSE WHEN THIS WAS UNVEILED
- 19 TO THE PUBLIC, THE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS DONE IN THE SECOND
- 20 DISTRICT. AND NOT ONLY DID HE PARTICIPATE IN THE SECOND
- 21 DISTRICT, BUT HE WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO GET TRAINED IN
- 22 C.P.R., THE FIRST PERSON FOR PULSEPOINT ON HIS PHONE TO TRAIN
- 23 HIS STAFF AND ALSO RECOMMEND TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT WE TRAIN
- 24 OVER 100,000 COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO CONTINUE THIS PROCESS. SO
- 25 ONCE AGAIN ON BEHALF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE REALLY WOULD

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- 1 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THIS RECOGNITION. AND THE FIRE
- 2 DEPARTMENT, WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO WHAT WE CAN TO ENSURE THE
- 3 BEST POSSIBLE SERVICES OF THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LET ME ALSO BEFORE BEN AND OTHERS SPEAK,
- 6 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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- 8 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MR.
- 9 ANTONOVICH. I THINK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WISHES TO BENEFIT
- 10 FROM THIS PROGRAM. AND WE WILL DO A LIVE DEMONSTRATION
- 11 SHORTLY. THE CONVENTIONAL WAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I WANT TO
- 12 SAY TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO THOSE WHO ARE INVOLVED WITH
- 13 PULSEPOINT THAT THIS IS THE REAL DEAL. WHAT MAKES IT
- 14 PARTICULARLY SPECIAL, IT MAKES IT EASY FOR MANY, MANY PEOPLE
- 15 TO PARTICIPATE. SO THE GOOD NEWS IS THIS: THE BOARD HAS MADE A
- 16 DETERMINATION, AS THE CHIEF JUST INDICATED, THAT IN JANUARY,
- 17 WE'LL HAVE A FULL REPORT BACK ON THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS
- 18 WHO WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE ALL-COUNTY, THAT IS THE
- 19 COUNTY-WIDE TRAINING FOR EMPLOYEES WHO WISH TO BE INVOLVED IN
- 20 HANDS-ONLY C.P.R. HANDS-ONLY C.P.R., AND THAT'S ESSENTIALLY
- 21 WHAT PULSEPOINT AFFORDS US. AND SO THIS IS GREAT, THE NETWORK
- 22 WILL EXPAND. AND, MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I COULD
- 23 TELL YOU: LIVES WILL BE SAVED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I
- 2 WOULD ONLY ADD I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU. IT'S AN INCREDIBLE
- 3 BRIEF WAY TO SAVE LIVES. I GOT QUALIFIED OUT AT THE L.A.
- 4 COUNTY FAIR. THEY HAD A BOOTH OUT THERE. AND THEY WERE DOING
- 5 THE PULSEPOINT OUT THERE. SO WE CAN BOTH WORK ON ZEV.

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- 7 RICHARD PRICE: SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND ALSO TO
- 8 THE ENTIRE BOARD. REALLY APPRECIATE THE HONOR AND THE
- 9 PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE TODAY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE LARGEST
- 10 IMPLEMENTATION OF PULSEPOINT ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD. AND THAT'S
- 11 GOING TO TRANSLATE TO THE BIGGEST IMPACT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY.
- 12 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE SO IMPRESSED WITH YOUR STAFF. IT
- 13 TOOK US ALMOST A YEAR TO COMPLETE THE PROCESS HERE. SO LOTS OF
- 14 WORK WITH YOUR I.T. STAFF AND YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND
- 15 THE FIRE CHIEF HERE. SO APPRECIATION TO EVERYBODY INVOLVED.
- 16 AND JUST A FANTASTIC JOINT EFFORT. THANK YOU.

- 18 RICHARD PRICE: SUPERVISORS, WHAT A PLEASURE TO BE HERE. I HAD
- 19 THE PLEASURE OF SERVING 38 YEARS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY
- 20 AND TO BE PART OF PULSEPOINT IS SUCH A MAJOR DEAL. CAN YOU
- 21 IMAGINE THAT A LOVED ONE HAS A HEART ATTACK AND SOMEONE COMES
- 22 TO THE RESCUE OF THAT LOVED ONE WITHIN A MINUTE TO TWO MINUTES
- 23 TO HELP SUSTAIN THEIR LIFE? THAT'S WHAT THIS PROGRAM WILL DO
- 24 FOR THE CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY IS: WE WILL SAVE LIVES. AND AS

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- 1 A RETIREE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, IT'S A PLEASURE TO STILL BE
- 2 OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT.
- 5 DOWNLOAD THE APP.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WE HAVE LITTLE MAX. MAX IS A LITTLE BOY WHO'S
- 8 EIGHT WEEKS OLD AND HE'S A SHETLAND SHEEP WELSH CORGI CAR.
- 9 HE'S COMING THROUGH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE'S NOT A DALMATIAN.
- 10 HE WAS IN MY OFFICE A LITTLE EARLIER THIS MORNING. AND I TOLD
- 11 HIM HE WAS GOING TO FIND A LITTLE HOME WITH A LOT OF LOVE. AND
- 12 SO THIS LITTLE MAX. AND HE'S A VERY SWEET LITTLE PUPPY. EIGHT
- 13 WEEKS OLD. SO ANYBODY WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HIM, YOU COULD
- 14 CALL THE HOTLINE 562-728-4610. OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE. AND
- 15 MAX HAS A LOT OF FRIENDS THAT ALSO ARE WAITING FOR A HOME TO
- 16 GET LOVE AND IN TURN THEY'LL RECIPROCATE AND GIVE YOU TWICE AS
- 17 MUCH LOVE. LOOK AT THIS, MARK. LOOK AT THIS LITTLE CRITTER.

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. FIND A HOME. SUPERVISOR
- 20 MOLINA, YOU HAVE A VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION.

- 22 SUP. MOLINA: IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO MAKE A VERY SPECIAL
- 23 PRESENTATION TO MR. ALBERT MORALES. HE'S A VERY, VERY
- 24 DISTINGUISHED UNITED STATES VETERAN, A MEMBER OF THE MARINE
- 25 CORPS LEAGUE DETACHMENT NO. 1347. JOINING HIM THIS MORNING IS



- 1 HIS DAUGHTER ROSE REYES AND HER FIANCE VIN SALATORE, AS WELL
- 2 AS MR. MORALES'S NIECE, NATASHA SINES. I BUMPED INTO THIS
- 3 FAMILY RECENTLY. OUR QUILTING GROUP HAS BEEN PUTTING TOGETHER
- 4 QUILTS FOR OUR VETERANS, PARTICULARLY OUR WOUNDED WARRIORS.
- 5 AND WE'VE MADE OVER 60 QUILTS, AND WE WERE PUTTING TOGETHER
- 6 AND CONNECTING WITH PEOPLE AS TO HOW WE WOULD DISTRIBUTE THEM.
- 7 AND WE CAME ACROSS THIS GENTLEMAN, AND I THOUGHT I HAVE TO
- 8 HONOR HIM. ALBERT WAS BORN IN 1919 IN IDAHO AND WE
- 9 CONGRATULATE HIM. HE'S GOING TO BE CELEBRATING HIS 95TH
- 10 BIRTHDAY NEXT MONTH. IS THAT RIGHT? CONGRATULATIONS, SIR.
- 11 [APPLAUSE.] PRETTY AMAZING. HE AND HIS FAMILY RELOCATED TO
- 12 EAST LOS ANGELES. AND IN 1940 ALBERT BRAVELY ENLISTED IN THE
- 13 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AT THE AGE OF 22. HE ACHIEVED THE
- 14 RANK OF CORPORAL AND COURAGEOUSLY FOUGHT IN WORLD WAR II
- 15 BATTLES AT GUADALCANAL AND TARAWA IN THE PACIFIC. AFTER THE
- 16 WAR, MR. MORALES RETURNED TO EAST L.A. WHERE HE AND HIS WIFE
- 17 RAISED FOUR CHILDREN. FRANCISCO, ROSALVA, GILBERT AND MONICA.
- 18 IN 1957, HIS FAMILY MOVED TO PICO RIVERA. FOR MANY DECADES,
- 19 ALBERT WORKED PROUDLY AS AN ASPHALT HAND GRADER FOR THE LOS
- 20 ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. AFTER HE RETIRED, HE REMAINED
- 21 IN PICO RIVERA SURROUNDED BY HIS LOVING FAMILY WHICH INCLUDES
- 22 NINE GRANDCHILDREN AND FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND TODAY
- 23 WE'RE REALLY HONORED TO PAY TRIBUTE THOUGH THIS WONDERFUL
- 24 VETERAN, AN AMAZING AMERICAN PATRIOT. WHAT'S AMAZING, AS WELL,
- 25 IS THAT MR. MORALES AND ALL OF HIS SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

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- 1 REGRETTABLY LIKE SO MANY LATINOS FOR WHATEVER REASON HAS NOT
- 2 BEEN ABLE TO RECEIVE HIS MEDALS FOR HIS SERVICE. IT HAS BEEN
- 3 INVOLVED IN THE BUREAUCRACY OF EVERYWHERE, THE PENTAGON, YOU
- 4 NAME IT. THERE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION OF
- 5 HIS MEDALS NEXT WEEK, CORRECT? THIS FRIDAY. AND REGRETTABLY
- 6 THEY STILL CANNOT FIND HIS MEDALS. SO HE HAS TO WAIT ANOTHER
- 7 ADDITIONAL 90 DAYS BEFORE HE WILL GET HIS MEDAL AFTER HIS
- 8 TERRIFIC AND UNBELIEVABLE SERVICE. BUT MR. MORALES, EVEN
- 9 THOUGH YOU DON'T HAVE THE MEDALS ON YOU, I THINK THAT
- 10 EVERYBODY RECOGNIZES AND UNDERSTANDS THE UNBELIEVABLE
- 11 PATRIOTISM, THE KIND OF CIVIC PRIDE THAT YOU HAVE HAD, THE
- 12 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. AND WE ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 13 REALLY WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU FOR YOUR BRAVERY, YOUR
- 14 PATRIOTISM AND CERTAINLY YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. SO ON
- 15 BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHILE IT ISN'T A MEDAL, WE
- 16 HAVE A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION SIGNED BY ALL FIVE OF US ON
- 17 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THANKING YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE ON OUR
- 18 COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 20 ALBERT MORALES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, YOU AND THE REST OF THE
- 21 SUPERVISORS, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

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23 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: CONGRATULATIONS, SIR. ALL RIGHT, WE WILL
- 2 BEGIN WITH THOSE THAT ARE HOLDING MULTIPLE ITEMS. ARNOLD
- 3 SACHS, 3-D, 3-P, 5-P, 6-P, 7-P, 9, 19, 22, 30, 36, 37, 44, 67
- 4 AND C.S.-5, 1-D AND 3. AMEER FLIPPIN, 26, 36, 1-D AND 3. ERIC
- 5 PREVEN 1-D AND 3. 4-D, 7-P, 9, 10, 12, 14, 20, 36, 39, 43, 52,
- 6 C.S.-3, 4 AND 5.

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- 8 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: AND MR. CHAIRMAN, AS THEY ARE
- 9 COMING UP, ON ITEM NO. 43, SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL RELEASE HIS
- 10 HOLD ON THIS ITEM. AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WOULD LIKE A
- 11 TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. SO ITEM 43 WILL
- 14 BE CONTINUED. THERE WILL BE NO TESTIMONY ON THAT. THANK YOU.
- 15 TWO WEEKS.

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17 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THANK YOU.

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19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD IF YOU'RE READY.

- 21 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. I
- 22 DID. I HELD A LOT OF THINGS. I HELD ITEM 3-D, IT REFERS TO THE
- 23 SOUND PROOFING BEING DONE BY L.A.W.A. AND YET NO BOARD OF
- 24 SUPERVISORS MEMBER HAS DONE ANYTHING ABOUT THE FEES THAT
- 25 L.A.W.A. PUTS OUT, THAT THEY GET FROM PASSENGERS WHO TAKE

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- 1 TAXIS. AND I BELIEVE THE HEAD OF ONE OF THE TAXICAB COMPANIES
- 2 SAID EACH COMPANY GETS \$2, 50 PERCENT OF THE FEES THAT EVERY
- 3 PASSENGER-- FEE EVERY PERSON WHO GETS IN A CAB BASICALLY PAYS.
- 4 THEY PAY A \$4 FEE AND \$2 GOES TO THE CAB COMPANIES. BUT YOU
- 5 CAN'T GET PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BY METRO. THERE'S NO TRAINS TO
- 6 THE AIRPORT BY METRO.

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8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ITEM 3-D HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THAT.

- 10 ARNOLD SACHS: IT HAS. IT HAS SOMETHING ABOUT L.A.W.A. PAYING
- 11 USING FEES. AND I'M TRYING TO GET YOU TO SEE THAT THOSE FEES
- 12 COME FROM THE PUBLIC. AND YET HALF OF THOSE FEES END UP IN
- 13 PRIVATE POCKETS. AND WHY IS THAT, SUPERVISOR? WHY DON'T YOU
- 14 ADDRESS THAT? THEN I HELD THE P'S. 3-P, 5-P. 6-P, 7-P. ALSO 30
- 15 BECAUSE YOU HAVE SPECIFIED FUNDS, COMPETITIVE FUND, CITY
- 16 EXCESS FUNDS, COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AND SPECIFIED EXCESS SAFE
- 17 NEIGHBORHOOD PARK FUNDS. THAT'S A LOT OF DIFFERENT FINGERS. I
- 18 ONLY HAVE ONE FINGER. I HELD ITEM 3. YOU HAD MADE THIS MOTION
- 19 BACK IN FEBRUARY 11 OF 2011. WHY DIDN'T YOU HIRE CONSULTANT
- 20 THEN? I HELD ITEM 19. ITEM 19 DEALS WITH RECLASSIFICATION OF
- 21 COUNTY POSITIONS. WHO AUTHORIZES THE STUDY FOR THESE
- 22 RECLASSIFICATION OF THESE POSITIONS? IS THAT DONE BY THE
- 23 COUNTY? THAT'S NOT AGENDIZED BY THE COUNTY BOARD. ISN'T THAT A
- 24 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, THAT YOU DON'T AGENDIZE THOSE
- 25 ITEMS THAT YOU'RE CONSULTING ON? DON'T KNOW. WE NEED SOME

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- 1 ACCOUNTABILITY THERE. I HELD ITEM-- I DID HOLD ITEM 36 AND 43.
- 2 YOU CONTINUED THEM. I HELD ITEM 37, IT'S THE COUNTY PROP C.
- 3 LOCAL RETURN FUNDS. ISN'T THAT THE HALF-CENT SALES TAX? WHY
- 4 ARE YOU SPENDING COUNTY FUNDS ON A CITY PROJECT? WHY DON'T YOU
- 5 SPEND THAT MONEY IN THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS WHICH YOU
- 6 REPRESENT? WHY DOESN'T THE CITY OF L.A. PUT IN ITS COUNTY
- 7 LOCAL C. RETURN FUNDS? WE KNOW THE PROBLEM WITH THE LOCAL C.--
- 8 , THE MEASURE R RETURN FUNDS AND THE 3% RETURN FUNDS THAT
- 9 METRO DOESN'T COLLECT FOR ALL ITS PROJECTS. WHY DON'T YOU
- 10 CHECK INTO THAT? AGAIN IT'S ANOTHER METRO SITUATION. I KNOW
- 11 THAT'S NOT ON THE AGENDA. BUT IT IS LOCAL RETURN FUNDS AND
- 12 MEASURE R DOES HAVE TWO CATEGORIES FOR LOCAL RETURN FUNDS. ONE
- 13 WHERE THE PUBLIC IS TAXED ALREADY FOR PROJECTS THEY'RE ALREADY
- 14 PAYING TAXES ON. THAT'S THE 3 PERCENT MATCH. REMEMBER THAT,
- 15 SUPERVISOR?

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- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT? NO APPLAUSE, PLEASE. GO
- 18 AHEAD.

- 20 AMEER FLIPPIN: YES, MY NAME IS AMEER FLIPPIN. I'M HERE MORE SO
- 21 NOT TO HOLD ANY ITEMS BUT TO HOPEFULLY ADD SOME THOUGHTS TO
- 22 ALL OF THE AGENDA ITEMS THAT ARE RELATED TO CAPITAL FUNDING. I
- 23 AM INDIVIDUALLY HOPEFULLY GETTING SOME PEOPLE ON BOARD, SOME
- 24 DIFFERENT ENTITIES, FOR PROFITS, NONPROFITS TO DO AN L.A.
- 25 COOPERATIVE INITIATIVE. THE IDEA IS TO HELP THE GRASSROOTS



- 1 LOCAL ECONOMY FIND SOME TRACTION WITH DISCRETIONARY INCOME AND
- 2 TO HOPEFULLY HELP THE TRICKLE-DOWN EFFECT FROM THE PRESENT
- 3 ECONOMIC SYSTEM. L.A. COOPERATIVE INITIATIVE IS BEING LAUNCHED
- 4 FOR, WE'RE SORT OF IDENTIFYING ITEMS 36, 3 AND 1-D, THOSE ARE
- 5 HUGE BUDGETARY ITEMS THAT HAVE THE ABILITY TO CARVE OUT A
- 6 SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR THE LOWER INCOME, GRASSROOTS
- 7 INDIVIDUAL WHO MAY NOT HAVE ANY INCOME. SO THE L.A.
- 8 COOPERATIVE INITIATIVE IS BEING LAUNCHED IN THE HOPES OF
- 9 CHANGING THE LOCAL ECONOMY IN LOS ANGELES AND CALIFORNIA. THE
- 10 PRIMARY MISSION IS-- THE EVOLVING GOAL IS TO CREATE AN
- 11 UMBRELLA FOR SMALL COMMUNITY CLUSTERS OF COOPERATIVES TO BE
- 12 INTEGRATED INTO THE EXISTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES,
- 13 NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT STRATEGY. THE BELIEF IS THAT THE
- 14 LOCAL ECONOMY WILL NOT CHANGE AT THE GRASSROOTS LEVEL WHERE
- 15 CITIZENS ARE NOT ABLE TO INCREASE HIS OR HER DISCRETIONARY
- 16 INCOME. THE MISSION WILL CHANGE AS WE SOURCE EXISTING RESEARCH
- 17 IN PROJECTS WHERE A TRACK RECORD HAS BEEN CREATED AND AS NEW
- 18 NONPROFIT AND FOR PROFIT ENTITIES INPUT THEIR EXPERIENCES INTO
- 19 THE PROJECT. TWO EXAMPLES. A PREMIER EXISTING COOPERATIVE
- 20 MODELS, THE CLEVELAND MODEL, CLEVELAND, OHIO, HOW THE
- 21 EVERGREEN COOPERATIVE BUILT COMMUNITY WEALTH. ANYBODY CAN GO
- 22 ON THEIR CELL PHONES AND DO A SEARCH FOR THE CLEVELAND MODEL.
- 23 AND THE EVERGREEN COOPERATIVES. GREAT YOUTUBE VIDEO ON THAT.
- 24 THE SECOND EXAMPLE IS AN INTERNATIONAL MODEL CALLED THE
- 25 INDIA'S RECYCLING COOPERATIVES. THAT'S A GREAT EXAMPLE FOR A

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- 1 LARGE CITY TO REALLY TAKE THE BULL BY THE HORNS AND TO TOTALLY
- 2 RECYCLE DOLLARS WITHIN AN EXISTING COMMUNITY OR THE EXISTING
- 3 ECONOMIES OF SCALE FROM THE BOTTOMS UP. INDIA'S RECYCLING
- 4 COOPERATIVE CAN BE PULLED UP ON YOUTUBE. JUST DO A SEARCH FOR
- 5 INDIA'S RECYCLING COOPERATIVES. AND, THIRDLY, I THINK THAT THE
- 6 WITH 20 SECONDS TO GO, THE CLEVELAND MODEL OF BUILDING OR
- 7 ATTACHING A COOPERATIVE PROJECT TO ANCHOR INSTITUTIONS, ANCHOR
- 8 INSTITUTIONS WOULD BE THE KEY IN THE SENSE THAT ANCHOR-- IN
- 9 THE SENSE THAT THE ANCHOR DOES NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO MOVE OR
- 10 BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION. IT'S THE
- 11 BIGGEST IMPACT FACTOR.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. I'D ASK MIKE GOMEZ TO JOIN US
- 14 ON 19 AND 67.

- 16 ERIC PREVEN: YES, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND TODAY'S
- 17 AGENDA, JUST FOR THE RECORD, IS UTTERLY STUFFED BEYOND BELIEF,
- 18 SO IT'S VERY HARD TO ADDRESS ALL OF THE ITEMS, HOWEVER I'LL
- 19 TRY. THE ONES I'M INTERESTED IN. ITEM NO. 2 AND ITEM NO. 10
- 20 AND C.S.-3 ALL DEAL WITH THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION THAT AS WE
- 21 RECALL, MR. YAROSLAVSKY AND KNABE WERE NOT EXCITED ABOUT AND
- 22 THE OTHER SUPERVISORS WERE FOR THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES GROUP.
- 23 THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON IN THIS SECTION INCLUDE REALLY
- 24 THE ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE, AS THE BOARD KNOWS. THERE'S
- 25 THREE FIRMS THAT ARE CITED IN THIS GROUP, IN THIS ITEM WHICH



- 1 IS JONES DAY, SHEPHERD KIM, WHICH IS WHERE MR. DROOYAN WHO IS,
- 2 SIR, YOUR LAWYER BUT ALSO THE IMPLEMENTATION MONITOR AND NOW
- 3 DISAPPOINTINGLY A R.O.S.I.S. MONITOR. HE'S NO LONGER WORKING
- 4 FOR THE COUNTY, APPARENTLY HE'S WORKING FOR HIS LAW FIRM, I
- 5 GUESS, AND THE JUDGE HAS TAPPED THAT SAME GUY WHICH OBVIOUSLY
- 6 WAS YOUR LAWYER JUST FIVE SECONDS AGO. SO THAT'S A GREAT
- 7 CONCERN HE'LL BE IN THAT ROLE. AND OF COURSE THE FOUR ROLES
- 8 BEING ADDED TO OPERATE THE E.S.C.A.R.S. SYSTEM AT THE D.A.'S
- 9 OFFICE IS OF NOTE AND WORRISOME THAT IT SHOULD COST SO MUCH
- 10 MONEY. IT'S ALMOST HALF A MILLION DOLLARS AND THIS IS A
- 11 PROGRAM THAT IS ALREADY RUNNING, SO THAT IS REALLY JUST A
- 12 GREASE FOR MR. HUNTSMAN'S FORMER GROUP. IN ADDITION FINALLY
- 13 ITEM NO. IN THE LAW SECTION, UNDER 53 IS A REALLY SAD STORY
- 14 ABOUT A GUY WHO JUMPED THE METRO TURNSTILE THEN INFLICTED WITH
- 15 A LAW ENFORCEMENT GUY AND DIED. THERE WERE THREE TASERS AND IT
- 16 WAS A BIG MESS, FRANKLY. I JUST WANT TO LOOK TO MAKE SURE THAT
- 17 THE CORRECTIVE ACTION, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WAS APPROPRIATE.
- 18 THEY DON'T REALLY OWN UP TO ANY WRONGDOING. I THINK ONE THING
- 19 WE SHOULD KEEP IN MIND IS THAT IF PEOPLE JUMP THE TURNSTILE,
- 20 WE SHOULD HAVE A PROCEDURE FOR GETTING THEM THAT DOES NOT
- 21 INVOLVE GOING AFTER THEM ALONE. IT MIGHT INVOLVE INSTEAD
- 22 CATCHING HIM LATER BECAUSE IT'S NOT A MAJOR OFFENSE. JUST LIKE
- 23 WITH THOSE CAR CHASES, WE DON'T WANT TO HURT OTHER PEOPLE IN
- 24 THE PROCESS OR ANYONE. SO THAT NEEDS A CAREFUL STUDY BY THIS
- 25 GROUP. AND MR. SALADINO, IN YOUR NEW ROLE, THE H.B.R.

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- 1 CONSULTING GROUP DID A REPORT, AS YOU KNOW, ON THE LAW
- 2 PROVIDING HERE IN L.A. COUNTY HOW IT'S GOING. FRANKLY, WE'VE
- 3 ASKED FOR THAT UNDER THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORD ACT AND WE
- 4 REALLY WANT TO LOOK. WE WANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE GETTING
- 5 QUALITY LEGAL ADVICE FOR THIS GROUP. ITEM NO. 12, ONE MORE
- 6 LITTLE LAW BIT, IS THE CEDRIC GROUP IS TAKING OVER SOME
- 7 DISABILITY CLAIM MANAGEMENT FOR US. THEY'VE BEEN DOING IT FOR
- 8 MANY YEARS ALONG WITH ONE OTHER GROUP I ALWAYS FORGET THE
- 9 NAME. BUT THIS GROUP WAS THE ONLY BIDDER, WHICH IS OF NOTE.
- 10 AND THE REASON WAS BECAUSE THERE WAS SOME OUT-OF-STATE
- 11 DIMENSION FOR MOST OF THE PEOPLE IN THIS BUSINESS WHO ARE OUT
- 12 OF STATE. I JUST WANTED TO BRING TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION THAT
- 13 THEY, TOO, ARE BASED IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, IS MY
- 14 UNDERSTANDING. AND SO THIS IS A VERY ODD TURN OF EVENTS THERE
- 15 IN MY VIEW. ITEM 14, IS SUSAN HERMAN, A GREAT C.E.O. WHO
- 16 MIRIAM KRINSKY CITED ONCE IN A VERY, VERY IMPRESSIVE WAY,
- 17 NEEDS TO PROVIDE FOOTAGE FROM THESE BOARD MEETING ONTO A HARD
- 18 DRIVE TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MIGHT WANT THAT, AS OPPOSED TO
- 19 CHARGING THEM \$10 PER DISC WHEN IT CAN ALL BE DONE IN AN
- 20 INTEGRATED FASHION THROUGH COMPUTERS ON PAGE 14.

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22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

- 24 ERIC PREVEN: THAT WAS FALL SHORT, BECAUSE I'M HALFWAY. I'LL
- 25 COME BACK ON ITEM 20 FOR MR. GOVAN, THANK YOU.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YOU ALREADY ADDRESSED 20. THAT WAS YOUR
- 3 TIME. THAT WAS YOUR TIME. IT'S ON THE LIST.

- 5 MIKE GOMEZ: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS OF THE
- 6 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. MY NAME IS MIKE GOMEZ. I'M AN LOS
- 7 ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND UNION
- 8 STEWARD FOR S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM NO. 19.
- 9 I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ABOUT THE COUNTY CONTRACTING AND THE
- 10 OUTRAGEOUS METHOD OF DENYING A DECENT LIVING TO COUNTY
- 11 CONTRACT WORKERS EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. FOR
- 12 THE LAST 20 YEARS, THE COUNTY, AFTER THE PASSAGE OF VOTER-
- 13 APPROVED PROPOSITION A, HAS CONTRACTED OUT WORK TO TEMPORARY
- 14 AGENCIES AND SAVED THE COUNTY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF
- 15 DOLLARS. BUT AT THE SAME TIME, EMPLOYED A SERF LABOR FORCE OF
- 16 EMPLOYEES DENIED A DECENT WAGE WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF HOLIDAY
- 17 PAY, VACATION PAY, SICK PAY OR A PENSION UNDER THE
- 18 JUSTIFICATION OF COUNTY TEMPORARY WORKERS. WELL, THESE
- 19 TEMPORARY CONTRACT WORKERS HAVE NOW LABORED FOR THE COUNTY FOR
- 20 WELL OVER 15 YEARS AND STILL RETAIN THE STATUS OF TEMPORARY BY
- 21 EXTENDING THEIR CONTRACTS WELL OVER THE 90-DAY PERIOD YEAR
- 22 AFTER YEAR. IT IS UNETHICAL AND EMBARRASSING AND SHAMEFUL FOR
- 23 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE WITH THIS OUTRAGEOUS
- 24 METHOD OF JUSTIFYING SAVINGS FOR THE COUNTY WHILE EXPLOITING
- 25 AND USING PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SKILLED LABOR OF CONTRACT

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- 1 WORKERS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COUNTY AND TO THE DETRIMENT OF
- 2 ITS CITIZENS AND EMPLOYEES. I AM PLEADING WITH THE BOARD TO
- 3 END THIS SHAMEFUL CONTRACTING OUT AND GRANDFATHER IN THE
- 4 CURRENT CONTRACT WORKERS, MANY WHO HAVE WORKED DECADES FOR THE
- 5 COUNTY DILIGENTLY. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK TRINIDAD MARCOS
- 8 TO JOIN US ON 1-P.

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- 10 TRINIDAD MARCOS: GOOD MORNING. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU
- 11 FOR BRINGING ATTENTION TO THIS. 1-P PROPOSITION. I'M SPEAKING
- 12 FROM DEBS PARK AT AUDUBON. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
- 13 GLORIA MOLINA ESPECIALLY FOR BRINGING THIS UP. THANK YOU.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THOSE ITEMS ARE
- 16 BEFORE US. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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- 18 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE
- 19 THIS BOARD. ITEM NO. 3-D, 4-D, 1-P, 3-P, 5-P, 6-P, 7-P, ITEM
- 20 NO. 4, 10, 12, 26, 36, 37, 39, 44, 52 AND 67.

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- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
- 23 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

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25 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THANK YOU.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. WE WILL GO TO THE SET ITEM.
- 3 ITEM S-1, PLEASE. S-1, IT'S ALL YOURS.

- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH: -- SERVICES WHO WERE GOING TO UNVEIL THE NEW
- 6 COUNTY TRAILS WEBSITE. TRAILS.LACOUNTY.GOV. THE COUNTY IS HOME
- 7 TO ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE AND EXPANSIVE MULTI-USE TRAIL
- 8 SYSTEMS AND A GROWING NUMBER OF PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND
- 9 BACKGROUNDS ARE USING OUR TRAILS FOR HIKING, BIKING AND
- 10 HORSEBACK RIDING. AND I WOULD SAY THAT BOTH RUSS AND JOHN FROM
- 11 THE DEPARTMENT DO RIDE WHEN WE DO OUR TRAIL RIDES. AND WE JUST
- 12 HAD A RIDE ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO IN MARSHALL CANYON. AND THEY
- 13 WERE STANDING TALL ON THEIR HORSES AS WE HAD A GREAT RIDE. SO
- 14 THEY PERSONALLY ARE INVOLVED. AND THAT'S A GOOD DEPARTMENT
- 15 HEAD WHEN THEY ARE INVOLVED IN THEIR OWN DEPARTMENT. THE
- 16 GROWING POPULARITY OF THESE ACTIVITIES IS WHY MY OFFICE HAS
- 17 ASKED THE DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY AND ASSESS THE TRAILS IN MY
- 18 DISTRICT TO CREATE A COMPREHENSIVE TRAILS DATABASE FOR A CLEAR
- 19 UNDERSTANDING OF HOW MANY PUBLIC TRAILS ARE AVAILABLE. IT
- 20 DIDN'T TAKE THAT LONG BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT REALIZED THAT THIS
- 21 COULD BE EXPANDED TO EVERY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT SO THE
- 22 ENTIRE COUNTY'S 4,000 SQUARE MILES PLUS ARE GOING TO BE
- 23 INCLUDED. THIS IS A COMPREHENSIVE, INTERACTIVE WEBSITE WITH
- 24 MANY EXCITING FEATURES. AND NOW OUR DIRECTOR RUSS GUINEY IS

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- 1 GOING TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THIS PROJECT AND SHOW US THAT
- 2 NEW WEBSITE.

- 4 RUSS GUINEY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. YOU HAVE OUR
- 5 GRATITUDE FOR YOUR ONGOING COMMITMENT TO TRAILS WHICH DELIVER
- 6 SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS, ENRICH THEIR LIVES
- 7 WITH HEALTHY OUTDOOR RECREATION. THANK YOU ESPECIALLY,
- 8 SUPERVISOR, FOR SPEARHEADING THIS PROJECT WHICH I'M CONFIDENT
- 9 WILL HELP EXPAND ACCESS TO AND KNOWLEDGE OF L.A. COUNTY'S ONE-
- 10 OF-A-KIND TRAIL SYSTEM. WE'RE SO EXCITED NOW THAT EVERY MEMBER
- 11 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS NOW PART OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT
- 12 PROJECT. SO THANKS TO EACH OF YOU. IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE
- 13 TO BE PART OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT TRAILS.LACOUNTY.GOV IS NOW
- 14 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. THIS IS A TRULY AMAZING, INTERACTIVE
- 15 RESOURCE. THE WEBSITE IS TAILORED TO SERVE THE COUNTY'S
- 16 GROWING NUMBER OF TRAIL ENTHUSIASTS AND ALL NATURE SEEKERS WHO
- 17 USE TRAILS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR RECREATION AND EXERCISE.
- 18 IT IS ALL WITHIN A REGIONAL NETWORK THAT CONNECTS BEACH
- 19 COMMUNITIES WITH THE FAR REACHES OF THE SANTA MONICA
- 20 MOUNTAINS, ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST AND SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS
- 21 THROUGH THE PUENTE HILLS AND INTO THE BALDWIN HILLS, FROM THE
- 22 DESERT AND FOOTHILL COMMUNITIES ALONG RIVERS AND CHANNELS AND
- 23 INTO THE URBAN CORE. NOW ON TRAILS.LACOUNTY.GOV, USERS CAN
- 24 FIND IMPORTANT DETAILED AND REGULARLY UPDATED INFORMATION ON
- 25 HUNDREDS OF THESE TRAILS. TO MAKE THIS ALL POSSIBLE, OUR STAFF



- 1 AND A PLACEWORKS CONSULTANT TEAM CONDUCTED A DETAILED
- 2 ASSESSMENT THAT INVOLVED G.P.S. MAPPING AND DEVELOPING A
- 3 G.I.S. DATABASE FOR THE COUNTY'S TRAILS IN NORTH L.A. COUNTY.
- 4 THE TRAILS INFORMATION COLLECTION EFFORT GREW TO ENCOMPASS
- 5 TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND AS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
- 6 MENTIONED, NOW INCLUDES ALL FIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND
- 7 SEVERAL PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS. FOR EACH TRAIL, THE WEBSITE
- 8 PROVIDES PRINTABLE MAPS, PHYSICAL DESCRIPTIONS AND OTHER VITAL
- 9 INFORMATION SUCH AS AIR QUALITY REPORTS AND ALERTS ABOUT
- 10 SPECIAL CONDITIONS. COMPLETED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE COUNTY
- 11 INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE WEBSITE DESIGN ALSO ALLOWS
- 12 USERS TO GO MUCH DEEPER BY OBTAINING INFORMATION SUCH AS
- 13 DISTANCE, STEEPNESS, ACCESS POINTS, TERRAIN AND A.D.A.
- 14 ACCESSIBILITY ON TRAILS. TODAY, WE UNVEIL THE INTERACTIVE
- 15 TRAIL WEBSITE YOU WILL LEARN ABOUT IN JUST FEW MINUTES. BUT
- 16 I'M ALSO PLEASED TO SAY THAT A MOBILE VERSION OF THE SITE IS
- 17 EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY LATE DECEMBER AND A MOBILE
- 18 APPLICATION AND TRAIL SIGNAGE PROGRAM IS DUE IN 2015. I THINK
- 19 YOU WILL AGREE THAT ALL THESE INITIATIVES WILL BE A GREAT
- 20 BENEFIT TO RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR ONGOING
- 21 COMMITMENT TO ENCOURAGING AND FACILITATING HEALTHY RECREATION.
- 22 NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT SUCH STRONG
- 23 SUPPORT FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE ENTHUSIASM OF
- 24 YOUR PARK DEPUTIES. BECAUSE OF YOUR COMMITMENT, OUR COUNTY
- 25 TRAIL SYSTEM IS NO LONGER OUR BEST KEPT SECRET. TO MAKE THE

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- 1 TRULY-- TO MAKE THIS TRULY COMPREHENSIVE, WE WORKED WITH A
- 2 NUMBER OF PARTNERS FROM OTHER AGENCIES AND JURISDICTIONS,
- 3 INCLUDING THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, U.S. FOREST SERVICE,
- 4 CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS, MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST, SANTA
- 5 MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AND MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND
- 6 CONSERVATION AUTHORITY. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR ALL OF THEIR
- 7 CONTRIBUTIONS. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ENORMOUS
- 8 CONTRIBUTION OF OUR DEPARTMENT STAFF IN THE TRAILS PLANNING
- 9 SECTION, LED BY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPUTY DIRECTOR NORMA
- 10 GARCIA, WHO IS HERE WITH ME THIS MORNING. THEY HAVE ALSO PUT
- 11 SO MUCH EFFORT, TIME AND PASSION INTO THE VISION AND CREATION
- 12 OF THE TRAIL INFORMATION PROGRAM. NOW I WOULD INVITE YOU TO
- 13 TAKE A LOOK AT THE RESULT OF ALL THAT WORK AND COLLABORATION
- 14 WITH A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF SOME OF THE FEATURES TO BE FOUND AT
- 15 TRAILS.LACOUNTY.GOV. [MUSIC.] [APPLAUSE.]

- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME CONGRATULATE WHO HELPED
- 18 MAKE ALL THIS POSSIBLE. RUSS GUINEY, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF
- 19 PARKS AND JIM JONES WHO IS DIRECTOR OF I.S.D. THOMAS CONTRERAS
- 20 OF THE UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE SUPERVISOR, SEAN WOODS
- 21 WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS SUPERINTENDENT, L.A. SECTOR.
- 22 DEBBIE SHARPTON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MOUNTAINS
- 23 RESTORATION TRUST. PAUL EDELMAN, CHIEF OF NATURAL RESOURCES
- 24 AND PLANNING FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, AND
- 25 ANNA STRAWBY, DEPUTY CHIEF FOR URBAN PROJECTS AND WATERSHED

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- 1 PLANNING FOR THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION
- 2 AUTHORITY.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. THAT'S OUR PRESENTATION
- 5 RECEIVE AND FILE. DID SOMEONE SIGN UP? SACHS. ARNOLD SACHS
- 6 COME FORWARD IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON S-1, I GUESS?

- 8 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. I
- 9 AGREE WITH THE PRESENTER THAT THE COUNTY BOARD SHOULD BE
- 10 COMMITTED. HE SAID COMMITMENT. I THINK YOU SHOULD BE
- 11 COMMITTED. AND I JUST WANT TO WONDER ABOUT THE DESIGNATION
- 12 LAST WEEK ABOUT FOR THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS. HOW WAS THIS
- 13 FUNDED? HOW WAS IT PAID? BECAUSE YOU JUST DID AGAIN ON YOUR
- 14 AGENDA, YOU SPENT 4.8 MILLION OF PROP C LOCAL RETURN FUNDS FOR
- 15 SOME STUFF IN THE CITY. WAS IT FUNDED THROUGH THE SAFE PARKS
- 16 FROM 1996 AND 1992? THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION?
- 17 WAS IT SPECIFIED? WAS IT COMPETITIVE FUNDING? WAS IT CITY SAFE
- 18 NEIGHBORHOOD PARK FUNDING? WAS IT COUNTY SPECIFIED? JUST OUT
- 19 OF CURIOSITY. AND THAT BRINGS ME TO THE NEXT QUESTION. BIKE
- 20 PATHS. THERE'S NO MONEY FOR BIKE PATHS. AND WHY IS THAT? I
- 21 BELIEVE THAT THERE WAS AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA A FEW YEARS AGO,
- 22 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE BIKE PATHS IN
- 23 THE COUNTY. SO WHAT IS THE COUNTY? AND, AGAIN, YOU SPENT 4.8
- 24 MILLION ON PROP C FUNDING, WHERE ARE YOU SPENDING MONEY ON
- 25 BIKE PATHS FOR USE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY? YOUR BIG PUSH, FIRST

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- 1 MILE, LAST MILE FOR METRO, INCLUSIVE OF BIKE PATHS. BIKE
- 2 PATHS, BIKE PATHS. BIKE PATHS ON THE STREETS, BIKE PATHS ON
- 3 THE SIDEWALK, BIKE PATHS FOR TRAILS. HOW MUCH-- WHAT IS THE
- 4 PROGNOSIS FOR THE BIKE PATHS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND ALL THE
- 5 DIFFERENT COMMUNITY GROUPS THAT ARE INVOLVED WITH BIKE PATHS?
- 6 IT WOULD BE MUCH BETTER TO ACTUALLY HAVE BIKES ON BIKE PATHS
- 7 THAN ON THE MIDDLE OF THE FREEWAY. MAYBE YOU SHOULD CONSIDER
- 8 THAT IF YOU WANT TO REALLY CLOG UP TRAFFIC, BECAUSE YOU'RE
- 9 PUTTING THEM ON EVERY MAJOR THOROUGHFARE, WHICH IS REALLY
- 10 HELPING TO KEEP TRAFFIC MOVING. SO BIKE PATHS, SIR, YOU'RE NOT
- 11 ANSWERING. AND I AM JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW WHY. THANK YOU. BIKE
- 12 PATHS.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM, SO THANK
- 15 YOU. LET'S SEE. WHY DON'T WE TAKE ITEM NO. 9? SUPERVISOR
- 16 MOLINA? I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE AN AMENDMENT, AMENDING MOTION ON
- 17 ITEM NO. 9? I DO HAVE A SPEAKER ON ITEM 9. YOU WANT TO WAIT
- 18 THEN? WE'LL WAIT ON THAT. AND WE'LL WAIT. MR. GILLOTTE WILL
- 19 WAIT ON CALLING YOU UP THEN. OKAY. LET'S TAKE ITEM NO. 4.
- 20 CLARE FOX AND ANDREW DOUGLAS. AND THEN, GENEVIEVE, IF YOU'D
- 21 LIKE TO COME UP ON ITEM 14.

- 23 CLARE FOX: HI, GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS CLARE FOX. I'M THE
- 24 DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND INNOVATION FOR THE LOS ANGELES FOOD
- 25 POLICY COUNCIL. WE ARE A NONPROFIT COLLECTIVE IMPACT



- 1 ORGANIZATION THAT WAS STARTED BY THE CITY OF L.A. TO WORK ON
- 2 FOOD POLICY ISSUES COUNTYWIDE AND ACROSS THE REGION. OUR
- 3 PURPOSE IS TO ENSURE THAT ALL COMMUNITIES HAVE ACCESS TO GOOD
- 4 FOOD, HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE, SUSTAINABLE AND FAIRLY GROWN FOOD.
- 5 AND WE'RE HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF A MOTION INTRODUCED BY
- 6 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO CREATE URBAN AGRICULTURE INCENTIVE
- 7 ZONES. I'M REPRESENTING A VERY ACTIVE AND VIBRANT URBAN
- 8 AGRICULTURE WORKING GROUP, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF OVER 200
- 9 URBAN FARMERS AND COMMUNITY GARDENERS. THERE ARE ACTUALLY 1300
- 10 ACTIVE URBAN AG SITES ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. SO THEY'RE
- 11 REPRESENTING AN EVEN LARGER BASE OF PEOPLE. SO IF IMPLEMENTED,
- 12 THIS POLICY WOULD HELP TRANSFORM VACANT AND BLIGHTED
- 13 PROPERTIES INTO VIBRANT FOOD GROWING SPACES LIKE COMMUNITY
- 14 GARDENS AND URBAN FARMS. THIS CAN HELP EXPAND ACCESS TO
- 15 HEALTHY FOOD IN LOW INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE HEALTHY FOOD
- 16 SERVICES ARE LIMITED. IT CAN ALSO SUPPORT THE GROCERY BUDGETS
- 17 OF LOW INCOME RESIDENTS AND, OF COURSE, TURNING VACANT
- 18 PROPERTY INTO A COMMUNITY GARDENS HELPS REVITALIZE COMMUNITIES
- 19 IN A WAY THAT CONNECTS PEOPLE TO EACH OTHER AND TO THE EARTH
- 20 AND STABILIZES THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SO THERE'S MANY COMMUNITY
- 21 ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO URBAN AGRICULTURE,
- 22 ESPECIALLY FOR LOW INCOME AND HARDER HIT COMMUNITIES. SO WE
- 23 DEFINITELY SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. WE THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
- 24 RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TODAY. AND WE LOOK
- 25 FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK WITH YOU. THANK YOU.

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2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU, NEXT?

- 4 ANDREW DOUGLAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
- 5 SPEAK BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING. I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING THAT
- 6 THE BOARD HAS DONE IN TERMS OF URBAN AGRICULTURE. YOU'VE ALL
- 7 DONE DIFFERENT THINGS VARYING FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S
- 8 BEAUTIFUL VISION FOR LA PLAZA AND A PUBLIC KITCHEN AND GROWING
- 9 FOOD TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S WORK IN HIS DISTRICT AND
- 10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S WORK IN SUPPORT OF A STRAWBERRY FLAG
- 11 PROJECT THAT THE WEST L.A. HOME FOR VETERANS. I AM A GROWER. I
- 12 GROW FOOD. I'M A SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCATE, BUT I VERY MUCH GROW
- 13 FOOD AND HAVE IN LOS ANGELES FOR OVER 10 YEARS. THIS IS A
- 14 WONDERFUL PIECE OF LEGISLATION. AND YOU KNOW BETTER THAN
- 15 ANYBODY IN THE ROOM HOW MUCH OF WHAT YOUR JOB ENTAILS KEEPING
- 16 BAD THINGS FROM HAPPENING. THIS IS NOT NEGATION-BASED, IT IS
- 17 CREATION-BASED. IT'S A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BRING A DEGREE
- 18 OF EOUITY TO URBAN AGRICULTURE INITIATIVES THAT ALREADY EXIST
- 19 ON A RURAL LEVEL. \$20 BILLION OF INDUSTRIAL AGRICULTURE IS
- 20 SUBSIDIZED ANNUALLY ON A FEDERAL LEVEL, MUCH OF WHICH IS FOR
- 21 FOOD THAT DOESN'T END UP IN ANYONE'S STOMACHS. THERE ARE
- 22 WAITING LISTS FOR ALL THE COMMUNITY GARDENS. THERE IS A DEMAND
- 23 FOR THIS, ESPECIALLY IN THE FOOD DESERT. SO JUST VERY
- 24 APPRECIATIVE AND ALSO MY EXTRAORDINARY GRATITUDE GOES OUT TO
- 25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR THEIR WORK

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- 1 AND THEIR SERVICE AND ESPECIALLY TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 2 FOR BRINGING THIS TO THE TABLE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK
- 3 YOU TO ANY VETERANS WHO ARE STILL IN THE ROOM.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE WOULD INVITE YOU IF YOU WANT TO COME
- 6 TO THE FOURTH DISTRICT, I INVITE YOU COME AND LEAD US AND SEE
- 7 OUR GARDEN THAT WE DO. WE HAVE BANQUETS RIGHT OUT OF THE--
- 8 IT'S PHENOMENAL.

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- 10 ANDREW DOUGLAS: I'VE SEEN IT ON THE INTERNET. YES, SIR, I'LL
- 11 BE THERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AGAIN.

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- 13 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 14 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 14 HAVING TO DO WITH
- 15 TELEVISION PROGRAM TO COVER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR THE
- 16 LAST YEAR, THEY ALWAYS FORGET TO PUT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ON
- 17 IT. AND FEW MONTHS AGO I COMPLAIN ON THAT. AND I WAS TOLD THAT
- 18 THERE WOULD BE CHANGE. IT'S STILL NOT CHANGED. AND I KIND OF
- 19 RESENT THAT BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I BELIEVE IN FAIRNESS. AND ALSO
- 20 ANTONOVICH IS MY SUPERVISOR, SO I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE HIS NAME
- 21 ON, YOU KNOW, THE BROADCAST. AND IT'S NEVER ON IT. AND IT HAS
- 22 BEEN THERE FOR MONTHS. SO I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOU DO NOT
- 23 RENEW THE CONTRACT IF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S NAME CANNOT BE
- 24 DISPLAYED. AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHY IT'S NOT.

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1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU.

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3 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: AND CAN I SPEAK TO NO. 3 NOW OR LATER?

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5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: LATER.

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- 7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: AND THOSE ARE SOME ARTICLES ABOUT
- 8 EBOLA, WHAT YOU SAID, 45 AND 46 WHO FAIL. WONDERFUL.

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. WE'LL GO TO S-2, SET ITEM.

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12 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: ITEM NO. 14 IS BEFORE THIS BOARD?

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
- 15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE
- 16 CAVEAT, WE ADD HIS NAME IF IT'S NOT THERE. OKAY? WE'LL GO TO
- 17 NO. 9 QUICK BEFORE WE HIT S-2.

- 19 SUP. MOLINA: AS YOU KNOW, I HAD PUT IN A MOTION WITH REGARD TO
- 20 THE ISSUE THAT WAS RAISED BY THE L.A. TIMES WITH REGARD TO
- 21 RECRUITMENT AND HIRING WITHIN OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT. I HAD AN
- 22 EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION WITH CHIEF OSBY YESTERDAY AND THEY'VE
- 23 SPOKEN ABOUT THE EXTENSIVE PROCESS THEY ARE UTILIZING IN
- 24 COMING UP WITH A NEW EXAM AND TRYING TO BE AS CAUTIOUS AND
- 25 CAREFUL AND ELIMINATE ANY BIASES IF ANY ARE THERE SO THAT WE



- 1 CAN MOVE FORWARD THROUGH A PROCESS THAT WILL HAVE THE KIND OF
- 2 INTEGRITY THAT ANY HIRING PROCESS HAS. ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT
- 3 HAS BEEN A CONCERN TO ME IS THAT WE HAVE A NUMBER OF
- 4 VACANCIES. AND MORE VACANCIES THAT WILL BE OCCURRING AS THE
- 5 MONTHS GO BY. AND YET WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD AS QUICKLY AS
- 6 POSSIBLE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET THIS NOTICE UP, OUR
- 7 EXAMINATION READY TO GO AND TO BEGIN THE PROCESS AS WELL AS TO
- 8 FILL UP OUR ACADEMY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN FILL OUR PRESENT
- 9 200 VACANCIES BUT MORE SIGNIFICANTLY IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING
- 10 THERE MIGHT BE AS MANY AS 20,000 PEOPLE WAITING IN THE WINGS
- 11 FOR POTENTIAL JOBS. SO THESE ARE VALUABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR US
- 12 ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND VALUABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE
- 13 DEPARTMENT -- FOR OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT. SO WHAT I HAVE DONE,
- 14 INSTEAD OF THE MOTION OF JUST TURNING IT OVER TO THE
- 15 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, INSTEAD WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS
- 16 CREATE A STRIKE TEAM. I'M HAVING THE MOTION PASSED OUT. AND
- 17 WE'RE "DIRECTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO WORK WITH THE
- 18 DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE COUNTY EOUITY OVERSIGHT
- 19 PANEL SO THAT COLLECTIVELY CAN CREATE A STRIKE TEAM TO
- 20 EXPEDITE AND OVERSEE THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ENTRY-LEVEL
- 21 FIREFIGHTER TRAINING EXAM. THE STRIKE TEAM WILL CONSIST OF A
- 22 REPRESENTATIVE FROM C.O.P., THE HUMAN RESOURCES, THE OFFICE OF
- 23 COUNTY COUNSEL, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT AS WELL
- 24 AS LOCAL 1014 TO ENSURE FAIRNESS, OBJECTIVITY, TRANSPARENCY
- 25 AND SECURITY IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE EXAMINATION." BUT I'M ALSO



- 1 ASKING THE STRIKE FORCE TO REPORT TO THIS BOARD ON A WEEKLY
- 2 BASIS UNTIL THE APPLICATION PROCESS BEGINS. THE FIRE
- 3 DEPARTMENT WILL REPORT QUARTERLY WITH THEIR PROGRESS IN
- 4 SECURITY EXAMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS USED IN THE
- 5 FIREFIGHTER TRAINING EXAM AND TO DO SO MAINTAINING TESTING
- 6 VALIDITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY. I THINK THIS IS A COMPROMISE OF
- 7 EVERYBODY WORKING TOGETHER. BUT I DID WANT TO STRESS TO THE
- 8 DEPARTMENT, TO THE C.E.O., TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
- 9 RESOURCES AS WELL AS TO THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNION THAT WE HAVE
- 10 AN OPPORTUNITY WITH ALL OF THESE VACANCIES AVAILABLE TO BRING
- 11 SOME INTEGRITY AND CREDIBILITY TO THE PROCESS. WE'RE NOT SURE
- 12 IF IT WAS FLAWED BEFORE, BUT CERTAINLY THERE'S CERTAINLY BEEN
- 13 A LOT OF ALLEGATIONS AND CERTAINLY AN ARTICLE LED US TO
- 14 BELIEVE THAT THERE COULD HAVE BEEN A LOT OF PROBLEMS. WE NEED
- 15 TO MAKE SURE THERE'S GOING TO BE TRANSPARENCY IN THIS PROCESS,
- 16 AND WE'RE GOING TO GET THE OUTCOME TO START MOVING IN A
- 17 DIRECTION THAT IS GOING TO NOT ONLY FILL THE VACANCIES THAT WE
- 18 HAVE BUT THAT WE GET THE MOST OUALIFIED PEOPLE, THAT WE BRING
- 19 AS MUCH DIVERSITY AS WE POSSIBLY CAN, BUT WE ALL DO IT THROUGH
- 20 A PROCESS OF FAIRNESS AND EQUITY ACROSS THE BOARD. AND SO I
- 21 THINK THAT'S WHY IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THIS BOARD TO KEEP AN EYE
- 22 ON WHAT'S GOING ON. I THINK THESE ARE IMPORTANT, CRITICAL JOBS
- 23 THAT ARE VALUED NOT ONLY IN OUR COMMUNITY BUT FOR PEOPLE WHO
- 24 HAVE HAD LIFE LONG DREAMS TO BECOME A FIREFIGHTER, WE WANT TO
- 25 MAKE SURE THEY HAVE EVERY SINGLE OPPORTUNITY. SO THIS MOTION,

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- 1 THIS SUBSTITUTE MOTION THAT I'M PUTTING IN, IS BASICALLY A
- 2 COMPROMISE THAT WE HAVE WORKED OUT WITH EVERYONE INVOLVED. I
- 3 DON'T KNOW IF THE CHIEF IS HERE, HE CAN COME UP AND ANSWER ANY
- 4 QUESTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE PROCESS.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ASK CHIEF OSBY TO JOIN US AS WELL AS
- 7 DAVE GILLOTTE.

- 9 CHIEF DARYL OSBY: HONORABLE CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DARYL
- 10 OSBY, FIRE CHIEF, LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. ON
- 11 BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO BE APPRECIATIVE TO THE BOARD THAT
- 12 WE WOULD ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT TO CONTINUE THE PROCESS AS IT
- 13 RELATES TO THE ENTRY LEVEL FIREFIGHTER EXAMINATION. I WANT TO
- 14 THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP. I JUST WANT TO
- 15 REEMPHASIZE A COUPLE POINTS THAT WERE ARTICULATED BY
- 16 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. IS THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN
- 17 WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES,
- 18 COUNTY COUNSEL, OUTSIDE COUNSEL FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS IN
- 19 RELATION TO REDEFINING, REDEVELOPING THE FIREFIGHTER
- 20 EXAMINATION PROCESS. IN ADDITION TO THAT, INTERNALLY WITHIN
- 21 THE DEPARTMENT, WE'VE IDENTIFIED A STAKEHOLDER GROUP, INCLUDED
- 22 BY PRESIDENT LOCAL 1014 AND OTHER INTEREST GROUPS TO ENSURE
- 23 THAT WE ARE ARTICULATING AND INPUTTING THEIR CONCERNS INTO
- 24 THIS NEW FIREFIGHTER EXAMINATION. WE DO HAVE APPROXIMATELY 200
- 25 FIREFIGHTER VACANCIES SO WE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE FORWARD, BUT I

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- 1 WANT TO REEMPHASIZE THE POINT THAT THE EXAMINATION WILL BE
- 2 FAIR, IT WILL BE EQUITABLE, IT WILL BE ACCOUNTABLE AND THAT WE
- 3 WILL ENSURE THAT WE ATTRACT ALL APPLICANTS THAT HAVE INTEREST
- 4 INTO THE FIRE SERVICE THAT THEY WILL GET A FAIR SHAKE OF THIS
- 5 EXAMINATION PROCESS. WE ARE ALSO SUPPORTIVE OF THE STRIKE TEAM
- 6 THAT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED. WE WILL ENSURE THAT WE REPORT BACK
- 7 TO THE BOARD WEEKLY AS IT RELATES TO THE PROCESS AND
- 8 EXAMINATION. AND THEN AFTERWARDS QUARTERLY TO ENSURE THAT WE
- 9 ARE MOVING FORWARD AND THAT WE'RE ACCOUNTABLE AND TRANSPARENT
- 10 TO THE BOARD AND TO THE CITIZENS AS IT RELATES TO A POTENTIAL
- 11 CAREER IN THE FIRE SERVICE.

12

13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU, DAVE?

- 15 DAVE GILLOTTE: GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE BOARD. MY NAME IS
- 16 DAVE GILLOTTE THE PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTER'S
- 17 UNION, LOCAL 1014. I'M ALSO AN ACTIVE DUTY FIRE CAPTAIN 26
- 18 YEARS. I'VE BEEN A PARAMEDIC FIREFIGHTER, ENGINEER AND I
- 19 CURRENTLY WORK AT COMPTON, AND STILL SERVING THE PUBLIC AS
- 20 WELL AS BEING THE UNION PRESIDENT. I REPRESENT SOME OF THE
- 21 FINEST 3200 FIREFIGHTERS, PARAMEDICS, HELICOPTER AND WILDLAND
- 22 FIREFIGHTERS, DISPATCHERS AND HAZMATTERS. A GREAT TEAM. AS YOU
- 23 WOULD IMAGINE, I AM EXTREMELY PROUD TO BE PART OF ONE OF THE
- 24 MOST BRILLIANT AND THE BEST FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE WORLD. AND
- 25 THE FOUNDATION OF THAT GREATNESS IS THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO



- 1 SERVE IN HARM'S WAY. WHILE I ROSE TO OPPOSE THE ORIGINAL
- 2 MOTION AS SUBMITTED, AND I WILL SAVE ANY COMMENTS ON THAT, I
- 3 RISE TO SUPPORT THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION AND THANK ALL THE
- 4 MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD AND STAFF FOR THEIR LONG HOURS OF WORK
- 5 THIS WEEK TO ARRIVE WHERE WE ARRIVED AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE
- 6 PATH WE'RE GOING TO TAKE. WE ARE ABOUT SOLUTIONS. THIS
- 7 HISTORIC APPROACH TO USE A STAKEHOLDER GROUP AND IN FACT A
- 8 STRIKE TEAM, A FIRE TERM APPROACH, INCORPORATING ALL VESTED
- 9 PARTNERS, INCLUDING LABOR, TO NOT ONLY MOVE FORWARD TO FILL
- 10 OUR 200 VACANCIES WHICH IS SO CRITICAL TO FILL OUR SERVICE
- 11 NEEDS BUT ALSO TO LEAD US INTO THE FUTURE OF RECRUITMENT,
- 12 TESTING, HIRING AND TRAINING IS WELL-FOUNDED AND WILL NET VERY
- 13 SUSTAINABLE RESULTS WITH INTEGRITY AND BOLD SOLUTIONS. WE HAVE
- 14 A GREAT BODY OF WORK IN PROGRESS ALREADY AND WE'LL BUILD ON
- 15 THAT. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE WORK AHEAD AS A PARTNER AND
- 16 I'LL LEAVE YOU WITH THIS LAST THOUGHT. THOSE WHO SERVE AND
- 17 HAVE EARNED THE RIGHT TO SERVE LIKE ANYONE ELSE MAY BE CALLED
- 18 UPON TO MAKE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE AT ANY TIME. LET'S NOT
- 19 FORGET THAT. F.D.N.Y. FIREFIGHTERS ON 9/11, MANY FRIENDS OF
- 20 MINE AS WELL AS IN L.A. COUNTY, THE STATION FIRE, THE
- 21 WHEELJACKS, WE'VE SEEN THAT FIRSTHAND AND WE KNOW ALL TOO
- 22 WELL. SO LET US CONTEMPLATE THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD ON WHAT WE
- 23 DO. AND THAT'S GET BACK TO WORK AND HUMBLY SERVE THE PUBLIC
- 24 THAT WE SERVE. WE SHOULD ALL BE PROUD OF THAT PROGRESS. THANK
- 25 YOU.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR
- 3 ANTONOVICH?

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- 5 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. JUST A QUESTION.
- 6 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS
- 7 CONDUCTING AN AUDIT. AND IF IT COULD BE THE CASE, PERHAPS THE
- 8 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS HERE, THE QUESTION IS: WHAT IS THE SCOPE
- 9 OF THIS AUDIT? AND WHAT ARE THE DELIVERABLES? AND WHEN IS IT
- 10 DUE? SO AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HERE? AVAILABLE? QUESTIONS POLLS
- 11 FOR THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

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13 DARYL OSBY: SUPERVISOR, I COULD SPEAK TO THAT IN PART.

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- 15 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. I'LL HOLD MY
- 16 QUESTIONS UNTIL THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS HERE.

- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, I SUPPORT THE
- 19 AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. BUT JUST
- 20 A POINT THAT AS I WAS TELLING THE FIRE CHIEF, HAVING SONS AND
- 21 DAUGHTERS WANTING TO FOLLOW THEIR FATHER'S OR MOTHER'S
- 22 PROFESSION IS SOMETHING TO BE APPLAUDED, HAVING GOOD ROLE
- 23 MODELS. BUT WE WANT FAIR SYSTEMS TO BE IN PLACE. BUT WE SHOULD
- 24 ENCOURAGE PEOPLE-- I KNOW MY COLLEAGUE WHO HAD SERVED HERE FOR
- 25 40 YEARS, SUPERVISOR KENNETH HAHN, HIS SON SERVED AS A MAYOR,

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- 1 AS COUNCILMAN, AS MEMBER OF THE JUDICIARY, HIS DAUGHTER
- 2 SERVING IN PUBLIC SERVICE AS A COUNCILWOMAN, NOW A
- 3 CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE, THOSE ARE GREAT FAMILY
- 4 TRADITIONS. SO I KNOW NOT JUST IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR IN
- 5 LAW ENFORCEMENT, BUT IN MEDICINE, IN EDUCATION, WE WANT TO
- 6 ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE PRODUCTIVE, BUT WE WANT THE
- 7 SYSTEM TO BE FAIR. AND THIS IS A GOOD APPROACH AND WORKING
- 8 WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WITH THE LABOR ORGANIZATIONS WILL
- 9 ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THAT. SO I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S
- 10 AMENDMENT.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: I DO, AS WELL. AND I THINK IN THE SENSE
- 13 OF FAIRNESS, I THINK IT'S A VERY GOOD MOTION, BUT I WOULD JUST
- 14 ADD ON TO THAT, ONE OF MY CONCERNS ORIGINALLY, IT'S ALWAYS
- 15 EASY TO TAKE THE SHOT THROUGH THE NEWSPAPER, BUT MY FIRST
- 16 THOUGHT WAS KEVIN WOJAK, WHO WAS THE ONE CAUGHT IN THAT FIRE-
- 17 STORM IN ARIZONA, ONE OF THE 19 KILLED AND HE WAS TRYING TO
- 18 BUILD HIS RESUME, WASN'T RELYING ON THE FACT THAT HIS DAD WAS
- 19 A GREAT FIREFIGHTER HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, HE WAS TRYING
- 20 TO BUILD HIS OWN RESUME TO BE ABLE TO MOVE UP INTO THE
- 21 DIFFERENT BAND. SO YOU'RE RIGHT, DAVE, WE CANNOT FORGET ALL
- 22 THAT PIECE. AND IT WAS A VERY TRYING TIME FOR EVERYONE IN THE
- 23 DEPARTMENT, THE FAMILY AND EVERYTHING ELSE. OKAY, DID YOU GET
- 24 YOUR ANSWER? OKAY. HE'S OUT OF BREATH. HE RAN DOWN THERE.

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- 1 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WANTED TO
- 2 ADDRESS THE QUESTION TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BECAUSE THE
- 3 IMPULSE OF THE ORIGINAL MOTION AND IN PART WHAT'S BEFORE US
- 4 NOW IS AN INDEPENDENT LOOK, WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY THE ROLE AND
- 5 THE FUNCTION OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. SO THE QUESTION IS:
- 6 WHAT IS THE SCOPE OF THE AUDIT? WHAT ARE THE DELIVERABLES? AND
- 7 WHEN ARE THOSE DELIVERABLES DUE?

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- 9 JOHN NAIMO: YES, SIR. THE SCOPE OF THE AUDIT IS IN RESPONSE
- 10 PRIMARILY TO THE ARTICLE IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES. IT'S
- 11 UNDERWAY AND WE EXPECT TO FINISH OUR INVESTIGATION IN LATE
- 12 JANUARY AND HAVE A REPORT AVAILABLE SOMETIME IN FEBRUARY 2015.
- 13 WE ARE LOOKING AT WHETHER OR NOT EXAM QUESTIONS WERE
- 14 COMPROMISED. AND WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT THE PROCESS UNDER WHICH
- 15 APPLICANTS BECAME ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION.

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- 17 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THE REQUEST FOR THE AUDIT WAS INITIATED
- 18 BY?

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- 20 JOHN NAIMO: THIS REQUEST WAS INITIATED BY CHIEF OSBY. HE
- 21 COMMUNICATED THAT REQUEST TO YOUR BOARD SOME TIME AGO.

- 23 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: ALL RIGHT. AND SO THE DELIVERABLES ARE DUE
- 24 IN JANUARY. AND THEY WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE BOARD OR IS
- 25 THERE ANOTHER PLAN?

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- 2 JOHN NAIMO: TO SOME EXTENT THE RESULTS WILL BE CONFIDENTIAL.
- 3 WE WILL WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO PROVIDE YOUR BOARD WITH
- 4 THAT INFORMATION AND THEN DETERMINE WHAT, IF ANY, OF THAT
- 5 COULD BE MADE PUBLIC.

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- 7 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: ALL RIGHT, MR. CHAIRMAN, MY HOPE IS THAT
- 8 THE BOARD WILL BE IN RECEIPT OF THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT IN
- 9 THE APPROPRIATE FASHION. ULTIMATELY, WE WILL BE HELD
- 10 ACCOUNTABLE FOR WHAT IS OR IS NOT HAPPENING IN THE FIRE
- 11 DEPARTMENT. OBVIOUSLY THE CHIEF SHOULD, IN FACT, BE PRIVY TO
- 12 THAT. BUT IT IS NOT MY EXPECTATION OR MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IT
- 13 WOULD BE THE DOMAIN OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT EXCLUSIVELY BUT
- 14 ULTIMATELY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

15

16 JOHN NAIMO: YES, SIR.

17

- 18 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I THINK THAT SHOULD BE THE COMMON
- 19 UNDERSTANDING; IF NOT, WE CAN MEMORIALIZE IT.

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- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING,
- 22 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA ON THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION. CHAIR
- 23 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTIONS -- PARDON ME? ALL RIGHT. WE
- 24 HAVE TWO PEOPLE SIGNED UP. PREVEN AND SACHS?

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1 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN.

- 3 ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
- 4 DISTRICT 3 AND I'LL BE EXCEPTIONALLY BRIEF ON THIS. I ACTUALLY
- 5 SORT OF AGREE WITH MAYOR ANTONOVICH THAT WE MUST REMEMBER THAT
- 6 FOLLOWING IN A PARENT'S FOOT- STEP IS NOT A BAD THING. AND
- 7 THAT OF COURSE LOTS OF -- THERE'S A TRADITION, FRANKLY, IN LAW
- 8 ENFORCEMENT AND ALSO IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THAT GOING INTO
- 9 THIS KIND OF IMPORTANT PUBLIC SERVICE. AND I THINK EVERYBODY
- 10 WOULD AGREE ON THAT. THIS IS NOT ABOUT THAT. AND IT'S, WELL,
- 11 WHAT THIS IS ABOUT IS THE LEVEL PLAYING FIELD. AND THE LEVEL
- 12 PLAYING FIELD STARTS AT THE TOP, REALLY. PEOPLE HAVE AN IDEA
- 13 ABOUT WHAT'S FAIR AND HOW FAIR CAN BE ADMINISTERED. AND IN
- 14 THIS GROUP HERE AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
- 15 SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE PROBLEMS THERE. BRINGING IN THE O.C.I.,
- 16 WHICH IS THE OFFICE OF COUNTY INVESTIGATIONS, IS, YOU KNOW,
- 17 THIS IS NOT AN AGGRESSIVE HUNTING GROUP. THEY DON'T FIND MUCH,
- 18 THEY DON'T DO MUCH. WE'VE SEEN NUMEROUS SCANDALS-- THIS IS
- 19 SORT OF THE DEFAULT PLAY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHEN THERE'S
- 20 A SMALL SCANDAL OR ARTICLE IN THE NEWSPAPER, THIS GROUP DOES A
- 21 WHITEWASH. I CAN THINK OF SEVERAL EXAMPLES THAT I WON'T MUDDY
- 22 THE WATER WITH RIGHT NOW. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY, THOUGH, IS
- 23 THAT WE ALL DO APPRECIATE THE HEROIC EFFORT OF THE FIRE
- 24 DEPARTMENT. THIS IS NOT ABOUT THAT. THIS IS NOT ABOUT 9/11.
- 25 THIS IS NOT ABOUT THE FOLKS WHO PUT THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE ON

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- 1 A REGULAR BASIS. THIS IS ABOUT THE WAY WE EMPLOY PEOPLE AND
- 2 THE WAY WE TREAT PEOPLE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS REGARDS
- 3 EMPLOYMENT. AND WE'VE SEEN IT ACROSS THE BOARD, THERE ARE
- 4 PROBLEMS HERE. THERE'S A DEFAULT POSITION TO SORT OF BENEFIT
- 5 PEOPLE. AND WE NEED TO FIX THAT. WE NEED TO FIX IT NOW. THANK
- 6 YOU.

- 8 ARNOLD SACHS: WHY, YES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ARNOLD SACHS.
- 9 EQUITY OVERSIGHT, INTEGRITY COMING FROM THE BOARD OF
- 10 SUPERVISORS, I'M REALLY SURPRISED. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
- 11 CAUGHT MY EAR WAS THE FACT THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT A FIREFIGHTER
- 12 EXAM PROCESS. D.M.V. HAS AN EXAM PROCESS, ALSO AND EVERYBODY'S
- 13 ELIGIBLE FOR THAT EXAM. BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN EVERYBODY GETS A
- 14 LICENSE. ALTHOUGH YOU NEVER KNOW WITH D.M.V. SO IT'S THE SAME
- 15 THING WITH THE FIRE FIGHTER EXAM PROCESS. THE EXAM PROCESS
- 16 COULD BE WHATEVER YOU WANT IT TO BE. THE BOTTOM LINE IS WHO
- 17 GETS HIRED? AND IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE FIREFIGHTERS'
- 18 DEPARTMENT, LIKE THEY HAD IN THE CITY OF L.A., WHY YOU
- 19 WOULDN'T INVESTIGATE THAT, YOU HAVE THE SAME SITUATION WITH
- 20 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND YOU HAD THE SAME SITUATION THE
- 21 OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. I KNOW THAT WHEN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
- 22 THOMAS MOVED HIS MOTION TO HIRE VETS, AND SPEAKING OF HIRING
- 23 VETS, YOU HAD ALL THOSE POSITIONS AVAILABLE THROUGH A.B.109
- 24 FUNDING, SO THE FACT THAT YOU HIRED 120 VETS IN TWO YEARS OR
- 25 WHATEVER IT WAS, WHEN YOU'VE AUTHORIZED HIRING OVER 500 PEOPLE

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- 1 FOR THOSE TWO PROGRAMS IN A.B.109 REALLY DOESN'T SPEAK VOLUMES
- 2 FOR YOUR VET HIRING PROGRAM. BUT HE SPOKE ABOUT VETS AND I
- 3 KNOW I SPOKE ABOUT HIRING VETS-- AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU HAD
- 4 A FAIR OUT HERE ON THE COUNTY PROPERTY, AND YOU HAD
- 5 DEPARTMENTS HIRING PEOPLE BUT NOTHING ABOUT VETS. EVEN THE
- 6 CITY OF L.A. GIVES PERSONAL POINTS FOR VETERANS STATUS FOR THE
- 7 DEPARTMENTS THEY WANT TO HIRE.

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9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE DO, AS WELL.

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11 ARNOLD SACHS: DOES THE COUNTY?

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13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YES.

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15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHERE'S THE STANDARD?

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17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE HIDE IT FROM YOU.

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- 19 ARNOLD SACHS: WHEN MR. FUJIOKA MENTIONED THE BUDGET. HE
- 20 MENTIONED THE COUNTY HAS 105,000 EMPLOYEES NOW. SO THAT MEANS
- 21 AN INCREASE OF APPROXIMATELY 4,000 EMPLOYEES. HOW MANY OF THEM
- 22 ARE VETS? HOW MANY OF THEM ARE NOT RELATIVES TO PEOPLE THAT
- 23 ARE ALREADY WORKING HERE? A PROBLEM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YEAH. THANKS FOR
- 2 POINTING THAT OUT. S-3. OR S-2, I BELIEVE. S-2.

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- 4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: S-2, AS HEALTH SERVICES IS COMING
- 5 UP, ON ITEM NO. 4, THERE WERE PREVIOUSLY SOME SPEAKERS ON IT
- 6 AND THEY SPOKE. BUT THIS ITEM NEEDS TO BE--

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
- 9 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THANK YOU.

- 13 DR. MITCH KATZ: MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, DR. MITCH
- 14 KATZ, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. I'M VERY
- 15 PROUD TO BRING YOU OUR FISCAL OUTLOOK FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.
- 16 WE'RE PROJECTING A SURPLUS OF OVER \$100 MILLION. WE'RE
- 17 PROJECTING A BALANCED BUDGET FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR. BUT THOSE
- 18 NUMBERS REALLY DON'T TELL THE FULL STORY BECAUSE YOU'LL
- 19 REMEMBER THE PLAN WAS TO PAY FOR THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD
- 20 BY BORROWING MONEY USING COMMERCIAL PAPER. THAT WAS THE
- 21 ASSUMPTION THAT WAS MADE. AND BECAUSE WE'VE DONE SO WELL ON
- 22 REVENUE, WE HAVE NOT BORROWED A PENNY FOR THE ELECTRONIC
- 23 HEALTH RECORDS DESPITE PLANNING TO BORROW OVER \$100 MILLION
- 24 EACH YEAR. SO I WOULD ALSO SAY THAT WHILE THERE ARE SOME
- 25 THINGS THAT ARE STILL SOFT IN TERMS OF PROJECTIONS FOR THE

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- 1 FOLLOWING YEAR, THEY'RE ALL SOFT IN A CONSERVATIVE DIRECTION.
- 2 SO IN EVERY CASE WHERE WE ARE PROJECTING A BALANCED BUDGET
- 3 BECAUSE OF CERTAIN UNCERTAINTIES, WE'VE MADE THE ASSUMPTION
- 4 THAT WE GET THE LEAST AMOUNT OF MONEY. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WE ARE
- 5 ASSUMING THAT THERE WILL BE A BREAK IN FUNDING UNDER THE
- 6 WAIVER EVEN THOUGH HISTORICALLY WHENEVER WE'VE GOTTEN A
- 7 WAIVER, IT'S BEEN RETRO TO THE END OF THE PREVIOUS WAIVER. SO
- 8 I FEEL VERY CONFIDENT THAT THESE NEXT FEW YEARS WILL BE VERY
- 9 GOOD FINANCIAL YEARS FOR US. THANK YOU.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH: GOOD JOB. ANY COMMENTS? WE HAVE TWO PUBLIC
- 12 SPEAKERS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD SACHS.

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- 14 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: EXCUSE ME, SUPERVISORS, CAN I MAKE ONE BRIEF
- 15 COMMENT?

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SURE.

- 19 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: DR. KATZ, AND SO OUR AUDIENCE KNOW AND THE
- 20 CONSTITUENTS KNOW, SENT A REPORT TO YOU EARLIER IN THE WEEK
- 21 ABOUT THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HEALTH INFORMATION
- 22 SYSTEM AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER. I CAN'T UNDERSTATE
- 23 WHAT AN INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT THAT IS. AND A NUMBER OF PEOPLE
- 24 WHO WORKED ON IT AT HARBOR AND DR. KATZ'S STAFF, THE WHOLE
- 25 D.H.S. DID A PHENOMENAL JOB BECAUSE WE'VE SEEN MAJOR

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- 1 INFORMATION SYSTEMS FAIL, THE FIRST IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
- 2 SYSTEMS. THE FACT THEY'RE ABLE TO BRING IT UP. HE WAS WORKING
- 3 CLINICS FOR A COUPLE OF WEEKS. HE KNOWS AT THE OPERATIONAL
- 4 LEVEL IT'S WORKING. THAT'S A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT. AND I WANTED
- 5 TO HIGHLIGHT THAT.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THANK YOU.

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9 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. SACHS?** 

- 13 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I GOT TO
- 14 TELL YOU, BASED ON WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT, DR. KATZ, HE'S A
- 15 HOUDINI. HE SHOULD BE IN CHARGE OF FINANCING THE COUNTY. YOU
- 16 KNOW, IN LESS THAN FIVE YEARS, YOU LOST A \$300 MILLION A YEAR
- 17 FEDERAL PROGRAM TO RUN M.L.K. HOSPITAL. \$300 MILLION. THAT'S A
- 18 LOT OF BAND-AIDS. AND HE'S TURNED AROUND AND IN TWO YEARS AND
- 19 YOU HAVE \$100 MILLION BUDGET EXCESS. THAT'S A \$4 MILLION SWING
- 20 IN A BUDGETARY PROCESS. \$400 MILLION SWING IN A BUDGETARY
- 21 PROCESS. THAT AIN'T BAD. WHY DON'T YOU PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF
- 22 METRO? WHY DON'T YOU PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF THE AIRPORT? WHY
- 23 DON'T YOU PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF A PROJECT THAT REALLY NEEDS
- 24 SOME HELP? WHY DON'T YOU PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF THE BOARD? IF HE
- 25 CAN DO THAT KIND OF STUFF, WHERE YOU GO FROM 300 MILLION IN

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- 1 THE HOLE TO 100 MILLION IN THE BLUE, BLACK, WHATEVER, THAT'S
- 2 NOT BAD. CONGRATULATIONS, DR. KATZ. WRITE A BOOK SO WE CAN ALL
- 3 FIND OUT HOW YOU DID IT.

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- 5 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. CHAIRMAN, IF IT'S IN ORDER, I'D LIKE
- 6 TO MAKE A MOTION, TO PUT DR. KATZ IN CHARGE OF ARNOLD SACHS.
- 7 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [LAUGHTER.]

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH: DOCTOR?** 

- 11 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 12 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WELL AS USUAL I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT
- 13 O.R.C.H.I.D. BECAUSE IT IS NOT WORKING WELL. AND, FRANKLY, I
- 14 WOULD LIKE TO SEE A COPY OF THE CONTRACT OF THE COUNTY WITH
- 15 O.R.C.H.I.D. BECAUSE APPARENTLY THIS COMPANY AND MANY OF THE
- 16 LARGE SOFTWARE COMPANIES HAVE A CLAUSE IN THEIR CONTRACT THAT
- 17 THE PERSON WHO PURCHASED THEIR SOFTWARE CANNOT PUBLISH OR MAKE
- 18 PEOPLE AWARE OF THE DEFICIENCY OF THOSE PROGRAMS. SO I WOULD
- 19 LIKE VERY MUCH TO SEE A COPY OF THE CONTRACT. AND THIS IS THE
- 20 FORMAL REQUEST. I DON'T HAVE TO PUT IT IN WRITING TO GET A
- 21 COPY OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN O.R.C.H.I.D. AND THE COUNTY. AND
- 22 I WANT TO KNOW THERE'S ANY OF THOSE STIPULATIONS. PERSONALLY,
- 23 I HAVE HEARD A LOT OF COMPLAINTS FROM EMPLOYEES ABOUT THE
- 24 SYSTEM, HOW COME IT'S NOT WORKING WELL? SO PLEASE PROVIDE ME
- 25 WITH THAT DOCUMENT. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. RECEIVE AND FILE?
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4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: RECEIVE AND FILE.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MOTION BY MOLINA. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 7 SO ORDERED.

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH: OKAY, GO ON TO 1-D AND 3. WENDIE JOHNSTON,
- 10 BRUCE BLOMSTROM, DAVID GALAVIZ, AHMED ENANY WILL BE THE FIRST
- 11 FOUR. WE HAVE THREE OTHER SPEAKERS AFTER THAT. WE'LL HAVE FIVE
- 12 OTHER SPEAKERS.

- 14 WENDIE JOHNSTON: DR. WENDIE JOHNSTON, AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF
- 15 THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CONSORTIUM OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY
- 16 COLLEGES, A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BIOMEDICAL
- 17 COUNCIL AND THE LAB DIRECTOR OF PASADENA BIO SCIENCE
- 18 COLLABORATIVE WETLAND INCUBATOR, HOSTING 22 STARTUP COMPANIES,
- 19 I STRONGLY URGE THE L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS TO ADOPT THE
- 20 BATTELLE REPORT AND MOVE FORWARD RAPIDLY TO PRODUCE A PLAN FOR
- 21 A BROAD IMPLEMENTATION. IN 2016, THE INTERNATIONAL F.I.O.
- 22 CONFERENCE WILL BE MEETING IN CALIFORNIA, AND AS THE BATTELLE
- 23 REPORT INDICATES, WE HAVE A NATIONAL PRESENCE TO PROJECT. WE
- 24 OWE THIS TO OUR INDUSTRY PARTNERS, TO OUR UNIVERSITIES AND TO

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- 1 OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS WHOM WE ARE TRAINING TO WORK IN THIS
- 2 GREAT INDUSTRY. THANK YOU.

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- 4 BRUCE BLOMSTROM: I AM BRUCE BLOMSTROM, PRESIDENT OF THE
- 5 PASADENA BIO SCIENCE COLLABORATIVE. THIS IS AN INCUBATOR FOR
- 6 LIFE SCIENCE COMPANIES THAT CURRENTLY HAS 22 COMPANIES AND
- 7 IT'S STRUGGLING TO DEVELOP THEIR PRODUCTS. I'M ALSO A MEMBER
- 8 OF THE BOARD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BIOMEDICAL COUNCIL. I CAME
- 9 HERE TO URGE THE ADOPTION OF THE BATTELLE REPORT TO ENCOURAGE
- 10 THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MUCH LARGER BIOTECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY HERE
- 11 IN L.A. COUNTY. IN PARTICULAR I SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
- 12 FUND OF FUNDS TO STIMULATE INVESTMENTS IN BALANCING
- 13 BIOTECHNOLOGY FUNDS. FROM MY EXPERIENCE, THIS IS CRUCIAL TO
- 14 MAKING COMPANIES AND HELPING COMPANIES DEVELOP THEIR PRODUCTS
- 15 AND SO THEY CAN BECOME BOTH A WORKING ORGANIZATION THAT CAN
- 16 DEVELOP THEIR PRODUCTS AND THEN CAN BECOME MUCH LARGER. ALSO
- 17 SUPPORTING INCENTIVES FOR LIFE SCIENCE FIRMS TO LOCATE IN THE
- 18 L.A. COUNTY AREA. THEY SHOULD INCLUDE A COMBINATION OF TAX
- 19 ABATEMENT, LEGISLATION MINIMIZATION AND FINANCIAL GRANTS. ALL
- 20 THIS WILL ENCOURAGE THE EXPANSION OF AN INDUSTRY WHICH HAS
- 21 ABOVE AVERAGE GROWTH AND A POTENTIAL FOR HIGH PAYING JOBS.

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23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANKS, NEXT.



- 1 AHMED ENANY: MY NAME IS AHMED ENANY. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE
- 2 SOUTHERN BIOMEDICAL COUNCIL, FOR SHORT, SO CAL BIO. SO CAL BIO
- 3 IS A NONPROFIT TRADE ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING MEDICAL DEVICES
- 4 BIOTECH COMPANIES AND DIGITAL HEALTH COMPANIES THROUGHOUT THE
- 5 GREATER LOS ANGELES REGION. WE HAVE ABOUT 300 COMPANIES THAT
- 6 SUPPORT OUR ORGANIZATION. AND OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO KEEP
- 7 BUSINESSES HERE AND GROW IT. I'M GOING TO REITERATE SOME OF
- 8 THE POINTS MENTIONED BY MY COLLEAGUES. AND WE HAVE A GROUP
- 9 ACTUALLY WAITING TO SPEAK TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE BATTELLE
- 10 PLAN AND IN SUPPORT OF THE READY MOTION. WE APPLAUD THE COUNTY
- 11 FOR COMMISSIONING THE BATTELLE PLAN WHICH SHOWS ECONOMIC
- 12 CONTRIBUTION OF THE INDUSTRY AND ITS POTENTIAL FOR GROWTH.
- 13 JUST TO MENTION A COUPLE OF FACTS, THE INDUSTRY GREW BY 6
- 14 PERCENT ADDING JOBS BY 6 PERCENT EVEN DURING THE RECESSIONARY
- 15 TIME, AT A TIME WHEN THE PRIVATE SECTOR WAS LOSING JOBS. AND
- 16 THE INDUSTRY GENERATES MANY HIGH PAYING JOBS. THE AVERAGE WAGE
- 17 IN THE INDUSTRY IS TWICE THAT THE AVERAGE WAGE IN THE PRIVATE
- 18 SECTOR AS A WHOLE. THE BATTELLE PLAN IDENTIFIES SOME OF THE
- 19 BOTTLENECKS THAT WE NEED TO OVERCOME IN ORDER TO GROW THE
- 20 INDUSTRY. AND WE'RE THEREFORE IN AGREEMENT WITH IT AND WE ASK
- 21 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ENDORSE IT. AND WE ASK THE
- 22 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ALSO TO ENDORSE THE RIDLEY KNABE
- 23 MOTION BECAUSE IT CREATES THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS THAT OF
- 24 EXECUTION. AND WE'RE HERE WITH OUR MEMBERSHIP OFFERING OUR

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- 1 SERVICES IN ORDER TO MAKE THE PROCESS EASY AS POSSIBLE AND
- 2 SMOOTH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. SIR, BEFORE YOU PROCEED, I'D
- 5 ASK DAVID MEYER, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, AMEER FLIPPIN AND
- 6 DENISE DE MAN TO JOIN US?

- 8 DAVID GALAVIZ: THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
- 9 DAVID GALAVIZ, AND I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF OUR PRESIDENT,
- 10 [INAUDIBLE.] AND SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM TO STRONGLY SUPPORT
- 11 THE MOTION PUT FORWARD BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
- 12 SUPERVISOR KNABE. THIS MOTION IS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY TO THE
- 13 COUNTY BUT TO ALL OTHER BIOTECH STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING THE
- 14 UNIVERSITY, OTHER REGIONAL ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, BUSINESSES
- 15 AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS BECAUSE IT FORCES ALL STAKEHOLDERS TO
- 16 BEGIN TO LOOK AT BIOTECH AS A-- BIOTECH ISSUES FROM A BROADER
- 17 REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE THAT FOCUSES ON REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE AND
- 18 INCREASED COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION AMONG STAKEHOLDERS WE
- 19 APPLAUD THE MOTION AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR
- 20 INTRODUCING AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL
- 21 STAKEHOLDERS ON DEVELOPING THE NEXT STEPS. AS THE TASKFORCE IS
- 22 DEVELOPED, WE HOPE THAT WE KEEP A BROAD VISION AND STRONGLY
- 23 CONSIDER THE POTENTIAL OF PRIVATE PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS TO JUMP
- 24 START THE BIOMED INDUSTRY AS A REGIONAL ECONOMIC CLUSTER FOR
- 25 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS THE LARGEST AND OLDEST RESEARCH

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- 1 UNIVERSITY ON THE WEST COAST AND ONE OF THE TOP PRIVATE
- 2 EMPLOYERS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE'RE ALSO WORKING ON
- 3 MANY BIOTECH ISSUES THAT WE FEEL CAN BENEFIT FROM A NEW
- 4 REGIONAL APPROACH. FIRST ON OCTOBER 23RD WE RECENTLY BROKE
- 5 GROUND ON THE NEW U.S.C. MICHELSON CENTER FOR CONVERGENT
- 6 BIOSCIENCE WHICH IS A \$50 MILLION GIFT THAT WILL LEVERAGE THE
- 7 UNIVERSITY'S NETWORKS SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS TO TACKLE
- 8 CHALLENGES IN HEALTH-RELATED FIELDS. THE GIFT WILL ALSO ALLOW
- 9 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW 190,000 SQUARE FOOT CENTER THAT
- 10 WILL WORK TO FAST-TRACK DISEASE DETECTION AND CURES. SECOND,
- 11 THE UNIVERSITY RECENTLY HIRED INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN
- 12 NEUROLOGIST ARTHUR TOGA, WHO DIRECTS THE INSTITUTE FOR
- 13 NEUROIMAGING AND INFOMATICS WHICH IS DEDICATED TO STUDYING THE
- 14 BRAIN AND LOOKING AT NEW BIOMED RESEARCH. FINALLY WE'RE IN THE
- 15 PROCESS OF WORKING WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO DO A LOT OF
- 16 DEVELOPMENT AROUND THE HEALTH SCIENCE CAMPUS AND WE FEEL THAT
- 17 DEFINITELY FITS IN WITH THAT GOAL. AND IN CLOSING, WE LOOK
- 18 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AND ALL THE IMPORTANT
- 19 STAKEHOLDERS ON THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS ISSUE. AND
- 20 AGAIN, FOR US THE KEY THIS IS REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT. THANK
- 21 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?



- 1 DAVID MEYER: I'M DAVID MEYER. I AM THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF
- 2 L.A. BIOMED. AND CHAIRMAN KNABE, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 3 SUPERVISORS. GOOD MORNING. I SPOKE TO THE NEED OF PROMOTING
- 4 BIOSCIENCE AND BIOTECH IN L.A. COUNTY BACK IN FEBRUARY OF
- 5 2011, BUT I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THE NEED HAS ONLY INCREASED.
- 6 THERE HAVE BEEN MULTIMILLION DOLLAR N.I.H. GRANTS THAT HAVE
- 7 RECENTLY BEEN AWARDED TO CAL STATE LONG BEACH AND CAL STATE
- 8 NORTHRIDGE TO PROMOTE THE TRAINING OF A FUTURE WORKFORCE IN
- 9 BIOTECHNOLOGY. IN A MOTION PUT FORWARD BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA
- 10 RECENTLY, THE BOARD SAW FIT TO AWARD A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF
- 11 FUNDING TO CAL STATE L.A., ALSO TO PROVIDE BIOTECHNOLOGY AND A
- 12 FUTURE WORKFORCE. BUT WHAT'S THE POTENTIAL OUTCOME OF ALL OF
- 13 THIS SPENDING? I SEE IT AS THE WORKFORCE TRAINED IN L.A.
- 14 COUNTY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WILL HEAD OUT TO WHERE THE
- 15 JOBS ARE: THE BAY AREA, LA JOLLA, CAMBRIDGE AND ALL THE OTHER
- 16 HOT SPOTS THAT WERE SO THOROUGHLY CATALOGED IN THE BATTELLE
- 17 REPORT. THE RECOMMENDATION BEFORE YOU TODAY REPRESENTS THE
- 18 FIRST STEP IN PUTTING TOGETHER A GROUP OF STAKEHOLDERS THAT
- 19 CAN CHANGE THE LANDSCAPE AND STEM THE FLOW OF L.A. COUNTY
- 20 TRAINED BIOTECHNOLOGISTS TO OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE, THE
- 21 NATION AND EVEN OFF SHORE. L.A. COUNTY IS BLESSED WITH A
- 22 NUMBER OF FIRST RATE EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING INSTITUTIONS AND
- 23 THE COUNTY HOSPITAL SYSTEM IS HOME TO SOME OF THE BEST
- 24 ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTERS IN THE COUNTRY. DISCOVERIES,
- 25 BREAKTHROUGHS AND INNOVATIONS ARE COMING OUT FROM THESE

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- 1 LOCATIONS ON A DAILY BASIS. AND AN INSUFFICIENT NUMBER OF THEM
- 2 ARE BEING COMMERCIALIZED AND FURTHER DEVELOPED IN L.A. COUNTY.
- 3 TWO FINDINGS OF THE BATTELLE REPORT ARE WORTH NOTING. L.A.
- 4 COUNTY ALREADY HAS A SUBSTANTIAL CAPACITY FOR ADVANCING
- 5 INNOVATION AND L.A. COUNTY LACKS THE ORGANIZATION AND
- 6 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR TAKING IT TO THE LEVEL OF LA JOLLA OR
- 7 CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS. SO IN CONCLUSION, THE NEXT STEP IS
- 8 CLEAR. THE RECOMMENDATION IS BEFORE YOU. AND WHAT IT WILL DO
- 9 IS ENABLE A WORKING GROUP TO BE PUT TOGETHER TO ACTUALLY
- 10 CONSOLIDATE WHAT'S GOING ON IN L.A. COUNTY TO KEEP THE JOBS
- 11 HERE, TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF L.A. COUNTY'S ECONOMY. THANK
- 12 YOU.

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14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

- 16 **DENISE DE MAN:** GOOD MORNING. I'M DEEDEE DE MAN AND I AM THE
- 17 FOUNDING CHAIRMAN AND OF C.E.O. OF BENCH INTERNATIONAL. BENCH
- 18 INTERNATIONAL WAS FOUNDED BY ME IN 1974 HERE IN LOS ANGELES.
- 19 WHAT IS ALSO NOTEWORTHY IS THAT I HAPPEN TO ALSO BE THE FOURTH
- 20 GENERATION WOMAN-OWNED BUSINESS IN LOS ANGELES WITH MY GREAT
- 21 GRANDMOTHER HAVING ACTUALLY STARTED HER FIRST BUSINESS HERE IN
- 22 THE LATE 1800S. OUR COMPANY IS DEVOTED ON A GLOBAL BASIS TO
- 23 LIFE SCIENCE SUPPORTING OF THE BIOTECHNOLOGY, BIOMEDICAL
- 24 INDUSTRY AND ENSURING THAT WE HAVE THE INNOVATIVE SCIENTIFIC
- 25 LEADERS AS WELL AS THE CORPORATE LEADERS WHO WILL, IN FACT,

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- 1 DRAW THROUGH THE SCIENCE THAT IS NECESSARY FOR THE NEXT
- 2 GENERATION. UNFORTUNATELY, ALTHOUGH WE WORK IN EVERY MAJOR HUB
- 3 IN THE WORLD, HERE IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN
- 4 CALIFORNIA, EAST COAST, EUROPE, AND ASIA, L.A. IS SORELY
- 5 LACKING. IT IS, IN MY ESTIMATION, AT LEAST, TWO DECADES BEHIND
- 6 THE REST OF THE WORLD THAT I WORK IN. AND YET, SADLY, WE HAVE
- 7 AN INCREDIBLE SOURCE OF BRAIN CAPITAL AS YOU'VE HEARD FROM
- 8 THESE OTHER PEOPLE RIGHT HERE. IT JUST NEEDS CONSISTENT
- 9 SUPPORT FROM ALL OF YOU. AS A SIDE NOTE, THE PERSON YOU'RE
- 10 LOOK BEING AT RIGHT NOW IS ALSO A PATIENT. I AM THE VERY FIRST
- 11 EVER PARTIAL LEG TRANSPLANT PATIENT. AND IT IS BECAUSE OF THE
- 12 KIND OF SCIENTIFIC INNOVATION THAT IS BEING DONE AROUND THE
- 13 WORLD THAT I'M ABLE TO WALK. I WAS ONLY GOING TO BE IN A
- 14 WHEELCHAIR. AND WHEN YOU SEE ME WALK AWAY TODAY, YOU'LL SEE ME
- 15 WALKING IN 5-INCH HEELS. THAT'S THE KIND OF INNOVATION THAT WE
- 16 ALSO HAVE HERE IN THE UNITED STATES. WE HAVE IT SPECIFICALLY
- 17 IN L.A. COUNTY. BUT WE'RE NOT EXERCISING IT TO ITS FULLEST AND
- 18 WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. AND I THANK YOU.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK ANDREW NORRIS TO
- 21 JOIN US? THANK YOU. JENNIFER NEFF? AND DWAIN MORRIS-IRVIN?
- 23 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 24 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN
- 25 BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. I WAS THE PERSON WHO HAD



- 1 PROFESSOR MONTAGNIER AND DR. GALLO FINALLY TALK TO EACH OTHER
- 2 AND ACTUALLY FOR EIGHT YEARS, NEVER MET WITHOUT ME. IN ORDER
- 3 TO BRING TOP SCIENTISTS TO ANYWHERE, YOU HAVE TO MAKE SURE
- 4 THAT THE GROUND IS VERY FAVORABLE. I THINK L.A. COUNTY IS A
- 5 GOOD PLACE. IT MIGHT SEEM TRIVIAL, BUT BECAUSE WE HAVE DIRECT
- 6 FLIGHTS FROM L.A. TO MANY PLACES, THAT'S VERY ATTRACTIVE TO A
- 7 SCIENTIST. I KNOW. I TRIED TO BRING SCIENTISTS TO SEATTLE, AND
- 8 WE JUST COULD NOT GET THEM, BECAUSE THEY HAD TO CHANGE TOO
- 9 MANY PLANES TO COME FROM OVERSEAS. THERE IS A LOT OF INTEREST
- 10 ABOUT L.A. COUNTY. AND ACTUALLY I PERSONALLY KNOW SOME TOP
- 11 SCIENTISTS WHO HAVE JUST IDENTIFIED TESTS TO TEST FOR
- 12 ALZHEIMER DISEASE AND SO ON AND WHO HAVE GRANT FROM D.A.P.A.,
- 13 U.C.A.P.A., AND SO ON. SO I WOULD TOTALLY ENCOURAGE THAT
- 14 PROJECT. BUT IF YOU HAVE TOO MANY COOKS THINGS DON'T WORK VERY
- 15 WELL. AND I THINK SCIENTISTS ARE A BREED OF PEOPLE WHO, THE
- 16 MONEY DON'T MAKE THE SCIENCE. YOU HAVE TO HAVE PEOPLE WHO CAN
- 17 WORK TOGETHER, AND WELL TOGETHER. AND I THINK THE BEST EXAMPLE
- 18 IN THE WORLD IS C.E.R.N. IN SWITZERLAND WHO HAVE WORKED VERY,
- 19 VERY WELL BECAUSE THEY HAVE ROTATING PRESIDENT OF THE GROUP.
- 20 AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE SOMETHING MORE ON THOSE LINES WHERE
- 21 PEOPLE CAN BE ATTRACTED FROM DIFFERENT AREAS AND DO IT. SO
- 22 THAT'S-- I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AT THE
- 23 BATTELL REPORT. I HAVE NOT SEEN IT. AND MYSELF I USED TO BE A
- 24 CONSULTANT FOR THE CITY OF PASADENA ON BIOTECH, SO I KNOW
- 25 QUITE A BIT ABOUT IT. THANK YOU.

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SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: NEXT?

- 4 AMEER FLIPPIN: YES. AMEER FLIPPIN FOR THE L.A. CO-OP. THIS
- 5 AGENDA ITEM IS A PRIME EXAMPLE HOW THE BOARD COULD TOTALLY
- 6 COLLAPSE AND TURN THINGS FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO THE
- 7 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT IS A PRIME
- 8 EXAMPLE OF AN ANCHOR INSTITUTION PROJECT. YOU GUYS ARE RISKING
- 9 HUGE AMOUNTS OF CAPITAL AS A FORMER INVESTMENT ADVISER AND
- 10 STOCKBROKER, THE COUNTY IS INFUSING PUBLIC DOLLARS INTO A LONG
- 11 TERM BIOMEDICAL PROJECT. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO CARVE
- 12 OFF HALF OF 1 PERCENT FOR THAT PERSON WHO'S IN A GRASSROOTS
- 13 LEVEL AND TO PARK SOME MONEY IN AN EQUITY POSITION AS OPPOSED
- 14 TO FORWARD LOOKING 10, 20 YEARS OUT ON A BIOMEDICAL STOCK THAT
- 15 MAY OR MAY NOT PERFORM FOR SOME VERY WEALTHY INDIVIDUALS WHO
- 16 ARE GENERATING NEW PRODUCTS. JUST LOOKING AT SOME BALLPARK
- 17 FIGURES, \$26 MILLION BUDGET, ONE TENTH OF 1 PERCENT PUTS US AT
- 18 \$26 MILLION. \$26 MILLION PARKED WITH SOME TYPE OF COOPERATIVE
- 19 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GENERATES A HUGE AMOUNT OF WEALTH
- 20 AT THE LOCAL LEVEL IN TERMS OF A WORKER CO-OP. WORKER CO-OP,
- 21 SOMEONE PARTICIPATING IN WORKER CO-OP HAS THE ABILITY TO ALSO
- 22 PARTICIPATING IN A HOUSING CO-OP AND A FOOD CO-OP AND SUDDENLY
- 23 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CREATES A 2 TO 3 MULTIPLE ON INITIAL
- 24 FUNDS THAT ARE ALLOCATED FOR A PROJECT IN A PARTICULAR YEAR AS
- 25 OPPOSED TO ALLOCATING BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, OR NOT OPPOSING IT

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- 1 BUT YOU'RE SORT OF HEDGING YOUR BETS. YOU ARE ADDING AN OPTION
- 2 TO STIMULATE THE LOCAL ECONOMY. THIS IS A GREAT EXAMPLE WHERE
- 3 YOU CAN IMPLEMENT THE CLEVELAND MODEL OF BUILDING, OF PLACING
- 4 COOPERATIVES IN YOUR ANCHOR INSTITUTION PROJECT. THANK YOU.

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6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: NEXT?

- 8 JENNIFER NEFF: HI, MY NAME IS JENNIFER NEFF, AND I'M THE
- 9 C.E.O. OF EL VIVO VASCULAR. WE'RE AN EARLY STAGE LIFE SCIENCE
- 10 COMPANY THAT DEVELOPS TECHNOLOGIES FOR IMPROVING THE SAFETY
- 11 AND FUNCTION OF MEDICAL DEVICES AND REDUCING INFECTIONS. SO
- 12 I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF THE SOUTHERN
- 13 CALIFORNIA BIOMEDICAL COUNCIL AND PROVIDE MY SUPPORT FOR THIS
- 14 MOTION THAT I BELIEVE WILL CREATE A PATH FOR EXECUTION OF THE
- 15 BATTELL PLAN. I THINK THIS PLAN IS VERY TIMELY. AND IT WILL
- 16 ALLOW US TO BETTER UTILIZE AND REALLY CAPITALIZE ON OUR
- 17 EXISTING FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL AND EXPERTISE IN THE LIFE
- 18 SCIENCES, TO STRENGTHEN OUR LOCAL ECONOMY AND IMPROVE OUR
- 19 OUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH BRINGING BETTER JOBS HERE. AS A
- 20 CONSTITUENT OF ORANGE COUNTY, I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO REQUEST
- 21 THAT THE SUPERVISORS CONSIDER INCORPORATING A LARGER AREA
- 22 BEYOND JUST L.A. COUNTY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PLAN. AND,
- 23 FINALLY, I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR BRINGING
- 24 THIS MOTION FORWARD. AND IN MY SUPPORT FOR THE SO CAL BIO, I

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- 1 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO CREATING A PLAN FOR
- 2 IMPLEMENTING THE BATTELL PLAN. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. COMING DOWN. NEXT?

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- 6 ANDREW NORRIS: MY NAME IS DR. ANDREW NORRIS AND I'M ONE OF THE
- 7 FOUNDERS OF THE B.C.M. BIOSCIENCES WE'RE DEVELOPING LIFESAVING
- 8 DRUGS IN THE CANCER SPACE. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY VERY BRIEFLY
- 9 I'M IN FAVOR OF THE MEASURE, AND I THINK TWO REASONS THAT
- 10 MATTER TO YOU ALL: JOBS AND TAXES. TAX REVENUE. SO DURING THE
- 11 CLINTON ADMINISTRATION, A LOT OF LOCAL AND CITY OFFICIALS GOT
- 12 TOGETHER AND A SEAT DOWN THE STREET IN SAN DIEGO FOR THE
- 13 BIOTECH INDUSTRY. THEY RESPONDED. ALSO IN SAN FRANCISCO, THEY
- 14 RESPONDED, THEY'RE A MAJOR, MAJOR MULTIBILLION DOLLAR
- 15 INDUSTRIES IN THOSE REGIONS AND IT WAS PROMOTED BY THE CITY
- 16 GOVERNMENTS. SO YOU WANT TAX REVENUE AND YOU WANT JOBS? IT'S
- 17 ONE OF THE BEST INDUSTRIES TO PROMOTE THAT. AND THE SECOND
- 18 REASON IS, YOU KNOW, THIS IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST DENSITY OF
- 19 ENTREPRENEURIAL VENTURES IN THE NATION, HERE IN LOS ANGELES
- 20 AND IN CALIFORNIA. SO WHAT WE NEED IS A CONDITION, A CONDITION
- 21 FOR THESE INSTITUTIONS TO THRIVE. SO I'M REQUESTING THAT YOU
- 22 PASS THIS. AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU, NEXT?



- 1 DWAIN MORRIS-IRVIN: HI, MY NAME IS DR. DWAIN MORRIS-IRVIN. I
- 2 AM THE CO-FOUNDER AND CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER FOR AN EMERGING
- 3 COMPANY CALLED STEM BACKS. IT TAKES TECHNOLOGY OUT OF CEDARS-
- 4 SINAI MEDICAL CENTER WHICH IS WHERE I'VE BEEN ON FACULTY FOR
- 5 OVER EIGHT YEARS. I DID MY TRAINING AT U.C.L.A., MEDICAL
- 6 TRAINING AT U.C.L.A. OUR COMPANY'S A BIO- PHARMACEUTICAL
- 7 COMPANY DEVELOPING NOVEL THERAPIES FOR BRAIN TUMOR PATIENTS AS
- 8 WELL AS PARKINSON'S DISEASE. WE MAKE USE OF STEM CELL BIOLOGY,
- 9 NANOTECHNOLOGY AND IMMUNOTHERAPY. THESE ARE CUTTING-EDGE
- 10 THERAPEUTICS THAT ARE BEING DEVELOPED TODAY. WE ARE CURRENTLY
- 11 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WE'RE A STRONG SUPPORT OF THE
- 12 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND KNABE MOTION AS WELL AS THE BATTELLE
- 13 PLAN BECAUSE IT ALLOWS FOR STARTUP COMPANIES LIKE STEM BACKS
- 14 TO THRIVE AND GROW, PROVIDE JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND MORE
- 15 IMPORTANTLY DEVELOP NOVEL THERAPIES FOR THESE HORRIBLE
- 16 DISEASES THAT EXIST TODAY. I'M ALSO HERE REPRESENTING SO CAL
- 17 BIOMEDICAL COUNCIL. AND I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO ADD THAT OUR
- 18 ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, U.C.L.A., U.S.C., CAL TECH, WE
- 19 DEVELOPED A VARIETY OF NOVEL TECHNOLOGIES THAT ARE KNOWN
- 20 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD; HOWEVER, THEY THEMSELVES, THE ACADEMIC
- 21 INSTITUTIONS CANNOT SUPPORT OR PROVIDE ALL THE RESOURCES
- 22 NECESSARY TO SEE THESE TECHNOLOGIES MAKE IT TO PATIENTS. AND
- 23 WE DESPERATELY NEED TO HAVE THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE CITY
- 24 PROVIDE THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
- 25 NECESSARY TO HELP TAKE THESE TECHNOLOGIES TO THE PATIENT'S BED

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- 1 AND TO THE CLINIC. LOS ANGELES IS A FANTASTIC CITY TO BRING
- 2 INTELLECTUAL INDIVIDUALS HERE TO HELP BRING THESE TECHNOLOGIES
- 3 TO SURFACE THROUGH OUR COMPANIES. AND WE THINK THAT IF THERE'S
- 4 CONTINUED SUPPORT THROUGH INFRASTRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION, WE
- 5 CAN SEE MORE GROWTH IN THIS BIOTECH COMMUNITY. SO WE STRONGLY
- 6 SUPPORT THE BATTELLE PLAN AND ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF MARK
- 7 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND DON KNABE FOR THEIR MOTION. THANK YOU.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS
- 10 WILL BE OUR LAST TWO SPEAKERS. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US
- 11 HAVE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS?

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: JUST SAY THIS IS A VERY POSITIVE MOTION. IT
- 14 WILL COMPLIMENT BOTH YOU AND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS ON
- 15 THIS. AND THIS IS DEALING WITH 21ST CENTURY MEDICAL
- 16 ADVANCEMENTS THAT WILL HELP THE ENTIRE, NOT JUST THE COUNTY,
- 17 BUT THE ENTIRE WORLD.

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY
- 20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
- 21 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

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23 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK ALL OF YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND
- 2 TESTIFYING. APPRECIATE IT.

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- 4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THAT'S ALSO ON THE RELATED ITEM
- 5 NO. 3. THANK YOU.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THAT'S CORRECT. ALL RIGHT. LET'S GO TO
- 8 ITEM NO. 20. SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS HOLDING ITEM NO. 20.

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- 10 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: AS WE START THIS PRESENTATION, WE HAVE MICHAEL
- 11 GOVAN, THE DIRECTOR OF THE MUSEUM, OF L.A. COUNTY MUSEUM OF
- 12 ART WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A BRIEF PRESENTATION.

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14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY.

- 16 MICHAEL GOVAN: THANK YOU. CAN I BEGIN? THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
- 17 AND CHAIR KNABE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS MOLINA, RIDLEY-THOMAS,
- 18 ANTONOVICH AND YAROSLAVSKY. YOU KNOW HOW MUCH WE VALUE THE
- 19 PARTNERSHIP WE HAVE THROUGH MUSEUM ASSOCIATES AND THE BOARD OF
- 20 TRUSTEES WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND HOW HARD WE WORK TO
- 21 CREATE CULTURAL VALUE AND EDUCATION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 22 THE LAST TIME I WAS HERE WE WERE DISCUSSING THE POSSIBLE NEW
- 23 DESIGN FOR OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART AND THE
- 24 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS WITH THE LA BREA TAR PITS AND THE NATURAL
- 25 HISTORY MUSEUM. AND AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH



- 1 THE MUSEUM, THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM TO RESOLVE THAT IN A
- 2 WIN/WIN SOLUTION. THAT WIN/WIN SOLUTION MEANS THAT WE WILL
- 3 TAKE 100,000 SQUARE FEET OF THE BUILDING PROGRAM OUTSIDE OF
- 4 HANCOCK PARK ONTO MUSEUM ASSOCIATES' PROPERTY ON THE SOUTH
- 5 SIDE OF WILSHIRE THAT WILL CREATE A GREATER LANDMARK. WE'LL
- 6 HAVE LOW IMPACT ON THAT PROPERTY BECAUSE THAT PROPERTY WON'T
- 7 BE USED COMMERCIALLY, THEN. AND THAT GOT A UNANIMOUS
- 8 ENDORSEMENT FROM THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, WHICH WE WERE
- 9 VERY EXCITED ABOUT. AT THE LAST MEETING ALSO, SUPERVISOR
- 10 RIDLEY-THOMAS SAID: "DON'T COME BACK HERE WITHOUT PICTURES
- 11 NEXT TIME." SO I'M HERE WITH PICTURES FOR YOU IF YOU'LL
- 12 INDULGE A FEW MINUTES OF IMAGES. TODAY WE'RE HERE TO DISCUSS
- 13 ANOTHER POTENTIAL WIN/WIN. WE'VE WORKED FOR A YEAR TO CREATE A
- 14 VIABLE PLAN TO REPLACE THE AGING AND AILING COUNTY BUILDINGS
- 15 IN A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH MINIMUM BUT CORNERSTONE
- 16 COUNTY SUPPORT COMBINED WITH A LARGE PRIVATE FUNDRAISING
- 17 CAMPAIGN FOR MUSEUM ASSOCIATES. THAT'S A ROADMAP FOR A
- 18 FINANCIAL PLAN THAT'S \$125 MILLION OF COUNTY SUPPORT MATCHED
- 19 BY \$475 MILLION OF PRIVATE SUPPORT. AND I THINK THAT MUST BE
- 20 ONE OF THE LARGEST AMOUNTS OF PRIVATE SUPPORT EVER GIVEN TO A
- 21 COUNTY FACILITY. IF WE APPROVE THAT ROADMAP, WE CAN GET THIS
- 22 BUILDING OPEN BEFORE THE SUBWAY IN 2023. AND WE'RE VERY
- 23 EXCITED ABOUT THAT. I THINK AS YOU KNOW, THE 1965 BUILDINGS
- 24 ARE REALLY AILING. THEY ARE NOT WORTH SAVING. THEY ARE ALREADY
- 25 COMPROMISED BY MANY CHANGES TO THEM OVER THE YEARS. THESE



- 1 NEWER BUILDINGS WILL BE ENERGY EFFICIENT AND MUCH MORE
- 2 ACCESSIBLE TO A BROAD PUBLIC. AS YOU KNOW, I THINK IT WOULD
- 3 TAKE ESTIMATES BETWEEN \$260 AND OVER \$300 MILLION JUST TO
- 4 BRING THOSE OLD BUILDINGS TO CODE AND MAKE THEM SAFE FOR OUR
- 5 PUBLIC. I THINK YOU KNOW THAT IN 2001 THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO
- 6 REPLACE THOSE BUILDINGS WHICH FAILED. AND I PROPOSED A
- 7 DIFFERENT ROADMAP WHICH WAS WALK BEFORE YOU RUN. WE HAVE
- 8 PROVEN GROWTH. YOU SEE HERE IMAGES OF THE BUILDING AT NIGHT
- 9 SWEEPING OVER WILSHIRE AND PROVIDING A GREAT LANDMARK IMAGE
- 10 FOR LOS ANGELES ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD. WE HAVE IN THE LAST
- 11 SEVEN YEARS SEEN UNPRECEDENTED GROWTH AT L.A.C.M.A. THE CAMPUS
- 12 HAS DOUBLED THANKS TO MUSEUM ASSOCIATES' ANNEXATION OF AN
- 13 ENTIRE CITY BLOCK. WE HAVE DOUBLED OUR EXHIBITIONS. WE HAVE
- 14 DOUBLED OUR ATTENDANCE TO OVER 1.2 MILLION. AND WE HAVE
- 15 CREATED FOR LOS ANGELES A GREAT MULTICULTURAL INSTITUTION FOR
- 16 A MULTICULTURAL COUNTY. I THINK MANY OF YOU ASKED ABOUT WHAT
- 17 WOULD HAPPEN IF THE BUILDINGS WERE CLOSED, I WANT YOU TO KNOW
- 18 THAT AS WE REPLACE THE OLDER FACILITIES, 100,000 SOUARE FEET
- 19 OF NEW BUILDINGS WILL BE OPENED TO THE PUBLIC. THAT'S STILL
- 20 THE LARGEST ART MUSEUM IN CALIFORNIA. AND THAT MEANS THAT WE
- 21 WILL NEVER REALLY BE CLOSED THROUGHOUT THIS CONSTRUCTION
- 22 PROJECT WHICH IS REALLY EXCITING. AND JUST A FEW PICTURES AND
- 23 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I RESPONDED AS REQUESTED. COME VISIT
- 24 L.A.C.M.A. THIS IS THE REZNICK PAVILION AND JAPANESE SAMURAI
- 25 ARMOR THAT'S ON VIEW. WE HAVE AN INCREDIBLE EXPRESSION OF



- 1 GERMAN EXPRESSIONIST CINEMA. I THINK YOU KNOW WE TOOK
- 2 QUESTIONS ABOUT CINEMA AND L.A.C.M.A AND TURNED THAT AROUND
- 3 INTO THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY GROWTH OF THE RECOGNITION OF
- 4 CINEMA AS ART ANYWHERE. AND THERE'S A NEW CINEMA MUSEUM BEING
- 5 BUILT. AND ONE OF MY FAVORITE SHOWS ON VIEW RIGHT NOW IS THE
- 6 AFRICAN COSMOS, WHICH YOU SHOULD ALSO COME SEE. SO PLEASE
- 7 VISIT, BOTH PUBLIC AND SUPERVISORS AND STAFF. WHAT IS A
- 8 BUILDING? A BUILDING IS SIMPLY THE FRAME FOR ART. THE ISSUE IS
- 9 THE ART. THE ISSUE IS THE ART FOR THE PUBLIC. AND WE HAVE
- 10 INCREDIBLE COLLECTIONS. YOU KNOW THAT WE ARE CUSTODIANS FOR
- 11 110,000 OBJECTS FROM MANY, MANY CULTURES. AND WE HAVE RECENTLY
- 12 ADDED 20,000 OBJECTS TO OUR COLLECTIONS, ESPECIALLY IN LATIN
- 13 AMERICA AND ASIAN ART. WE'VE CREATED A NEW INITIATIVE FOR
- 14 AFRICAN ART. AND JUST TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE HISTORY, THIS IS
- 15 DIEGO RIVERA FLOWER DAY, ONE OF THE MOST REQUESTED IMAGES.
- 16 THIS WAS BOUGHT BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN 1925 WHEN IT WAS NEW.
- 17 CONTEMPORARY ART. IT IS REQUESTED WORLDWIDE AND STANDS AS AN
- 18 EMBLEM AND A LEADERSHIP OBJECT FOR OUR-- WHAT IS REALLY SOME
- 19 OF THE BEST COLLECTIONS OF LATIN AMERICAN ART IN THE NATION
- 20 FROM PRECOLUMBIAN TO MODERN. YOU CAN SEE THEM AT L.A.C.M.A.
- 21 THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL IMAGE THAT'S OFTEN REQUESTED. ANOTHER MOST
- 22 REQUESTED IMAGES YOU MAY HAVE SEEN IN BILLBOARDS ACROSS THE
- 23 SUMMER, COTTON PICKERS. WINSLOW HOMER. REMEMBER, WE ARE ABOUT
- 24 TEACHING NOT JUST ART HISTORY BUT HISTORY. THESE IMAGES ARE
- 25 WITNESSES TO HISTORY. AND THIS IS JUST AN EXAMPLE OF ANOTHER



- 1 MOST REQUESTED IMAGE. I THINK YOU KNOW THAT FOUNDING L.A.C.M.A
- 2 WERE IMPORTANT FAMILIES. THIS IS A WORK FROM THE AHMANSON
- 3 COLLECTION, ONE OF THE GREATEST WORKS OF ART IN THE
- 4 COLLECTION, 17TH CENTURY THAT WAS FEATURED IN OUR CARAVAGGIO
- 5 SHOW. MAGDALENE WITH THE SMOKING FLAME, GEORGE DE LA TOUR.
- 6 IT'S EXCEPTIONALLY BEAUTIFUL. OR THIS WORK OF 17TH CENTURY
- 7 DUTCH ART FROM THE CARTER COLLECTION, THE AHMANSON AND THE
- 8 CARTER COLLECTIONS FOUNDED L.A.C.M.A. IN '65. ALL THESE
- 9 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF IMPORTANT ART ARE IN AILING BUILDINGS
- 10 RIGHT NOW. OUR REAL ASSETS ARE THE ART WORKS. I WANT TO SAY
- 11 THAT OUR COLLECTIONS GO THROUGH-- AND I SHOULD SAY THIS WORK
- 12 IS IN GALLERIES WHERE SKYLIGHTS WERE FALLING IN JUST ABOUT TWO
- 13 MONTHS AGO AND WE HAD TO MAKE EMERGENCY REPAIRS. WE HAVE ICONS
- 14 OF MODERN ART LIKE RENE MAGRITTE'S FAMOUS, THIS IS NOT A PIPE,
- 15 IT'S A PAINTING, OF COURSE. PICASSO, RECENTLY GIFTED FROM THE
- 16 LAZAROV FOUNDATION EIGHT YEARS AGO OR THANKS TO WALLIS
- 17 ANNENBERG, THE BEST COLLECTION OF PHOTOGRAPHY IN PRIVATE HANDS
- 18 HAS COME TO L.A.C.M.A. REMEMBER, WE HAVE PRINTS, DRAWINGS,
- 19 TEXTILES AND PHOTOGRAPHY. AND HOW ABOUT OUR OWN? ED ROCHE.. WE
- 20 HAVE THE BEST. WE ARE CUSTODIANS OF THE BEST COLLECTION OF LOS
- 21 ANGELES ART AND NOT JUST PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS BUT ALSO
- 22 CALIFORNIA DESIGN, WHICH WE SHOWED VERY RECENTLY IN A HUGE
- 23 EXHIBITION TO OVER 450,000 PEOPLE TO SEE CALIFORNIA DESIGN AT
- 24 L.A.C.M.A. AND THAT SHOW TRAVELED AROUND THE WORLD AND IS
- 25 ACTUALLY, I THINK, JUST IN AUSTRALIA. AND REMEMBER OUR



- 1 COLLECTION SPANNED THE MIDDLE EAST. THIS IS FROM WILLIAM
- 2 RANDOLPH HEARST, A GIFT IN OUR MIDDLE EAST DEPARTMENT. INDIA
- 3 AND SOUTHEAST ASIA. THIS IS THE GREAT SHIVA, WHICH YOU CAN SEE
- 4 AT L.A.C.M.A., ONE OF THE FINEST IN THE WORLD. A HISTORIC TANG
- 5 BUDDHA, CHINESE MIDDLE CIRCA 700 TO 800 A.D. OR THIS BEAUTIFUL
- 6 MOON JAR. WE DO HAVE THE BEST COLLECTIONS OF KOREAN ART
- 7 OUTSIDE OF KOREA. WE HAVE TRIED TO MAKE L.A.C.M.A. A
- 8 MULTICULTURAL INSTITUTION. I THINK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ONCE
- 9 SAID WALKING THROUGH OUR PLAZA THAT WE HAVE CREATED THE TOWN
- 10 SQUARE FOR LOS ANGELES. YOU CAN COME ON FRIDAY NIGHTS IN THE
- 11 SUMMER WITH THE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE TO SEE JAZZ CONCERTS. WE
- 12 HAVE LATIN SOUNDS ON THE WEEKENDS. WE ARE REALLY BUILDING A
- 13 CENTER, A CENTER, NOT "THE" CENTER BUT "A" CENTER FOR THIS
- 14 GREAT METROPOLIS AND THIS GREAT COUNTY. AND I WANT YOU TO
- 15 REMEMBER-- I AM WILLING TO ANSWER OUESTIONS-- I WANT YOU TO
- 16 REMEMBER WHO WE'RE BUILDING THIS MUSEUM FOR: THE NEXT
- 17 GENERATION. I THINK YOU KNOW ABOUT OUR PROGRAM. WE HAVE A
- 18 PROGRAM BY WHICH KIDS UNDER 17 CAN JOIN FOR FREE AND BRING
- 19 ADULTS FOR FREE. YOU CAN SEE THEM AT L.A.C.M.A. DRAGGING
- 20 ADULTS AROUND L.A.C.M.A. WE HAVE 140,000 OF THOSE NEXT GEN
- 21 MEMBERS. WE BROUGHT PROGRAMS TO 65,000 STUDENTS IN 800 SCHOOLS
- 22 OUTSIDE OF L.A.C.M.A. AND OVER 74,000 SCHOOL KIDS IN A YEAR
- 23 WITH GUIDED TOURS. 40 PERCENT OF THE VISITORS TO THE MUSEUM
- 24 GET IN FOR FREE. WE THINK WE ARE A GREAT RESOURCE FOR LOS
- 25 ANGELES COUNTY. WE'RE VERY PROUD TO BE HERE AND TO WORK VERY

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- 1 HARD TO CREATE THIS PRIVATE MATCH. THIS IS THE ISSUE. PRIVATE
- 2 MONEY. PRIVATE MATCH. AND I WANT TO SAY THAT WE ARE HAVING
- 3 TROUBLE ATTRACTING COLLECTIONS TO STAY IN LOS ANGELES AND COME
- 4 TO LOS ANGELES WITHOUT PROPER FACILITIES BECAUSE COLLECTORS
- 5 KNOW WE NEED PROPER FACILITIES. SO I THANK YOU FOR INDULGING A
- 6 FEW PICTURES. AND I'M VERY HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE
- 7 SPECIFICS OF THE FINANCIAL ROADMAP AND WHY L.A.C.M.A. IS
- 8 CAPABLE OF MATCHING THE COUNTY 3:1 TO CREATE THIS NEW
- 9 FACILITY, NEW COUNTY FACILITY.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LET ME JUST SAY THAT WHAT DR. KATZ HAS DONE
- 14 FOR OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WITH THE LEADERSHIP AND
- 15 RESPONSIBILITY, MICHAEL GOVAN HAS REALLY ENERGIZED OUR MUSEUM
- 16 AND IS A PERSON WHO HAS A VISION AND LET'S SAY THE WORK ETHIC
- 17 TO ENGAGE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY BECAUSE L.A. COUNTY IS SO VAST
- 18 AND WE REPRESENT EVERY NATION OF THE WORLD. AND DOING IT
- 19 WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY WITH A TOP PRODUCT AND AGAIN I WISH
- 20 OUR OTHER MUSEUMS WOULD FOLLOW THIS GREAT EXAMPLE. HARD WORK
- 21 AND THE PRODUCT THAT YOU HAVE DEVELOPED AND WE WILL BE
- 22 IMPLEMENTING IS A CREDIT TO YOUR LEADERSHIP. AND I REALLY
- 23 APPRECIATE THAT.

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25 MICHAEL GOVAN: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

- 4 SUP. MOLINA: LET ME JOIN, AS WELL, IN THANKING MICHAEL GOVAN
- 5 FOR HIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP. I FINALLY STARTED MEETING WITH
- 6 ANDREW RICH AND TALKED ABOUT OPENING UP THE MUSEUM SO THAT IT
- 7 WOULD HAVE THE APPRECIATION OF ALL THE BEAUTY AND ALL IT
- 8 OFFERS, THERE WAS-- IT STARTED OPENING SOMEWHAT. BUT YOU HAVE
- 9 REALLY THROWN THE DOORS WIDE OPEN. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE
- 10 WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE. THE OPPORTUNITY PARTICULARLY WITH THE
- 11 NEXT GENERATION PROGRAM THAT YOU'RE USING ABOUT BRINGING ART
- 12 AND ART OPPORTUNITIES INTO OUR COMMUNITIES IS VERY, VERY
- 13 EXCITING FOR ALL OF US. WE'VE BEEN TALKING TO MICHAEL GOVAN
- 14 FOR AN OPPORTUNITY THAT WE MIGHT HAVE INTO THE EAST SIDE AS
- 15 THEY LOOK AT STORAGE AND SO MANY OF THE THINGS THAT ARE PUT
- 16 AWAY THAT YOU CAN'T SEE EVERY SINGLE DAY TO EXPAND THE
- 17 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE MANY OF THOSE ITEMS THAT WOULD BE AT LEAST
- 18 VISUALLY AVAILABLE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES IS SOMETHING VERY
- 19 EXCITING AND INCORPORATING THEM WITH ART PROGRAMMING FOR OUR
- 20 FAMILIES. WE HAD PUT IN THE POTENTIAL OF THE ALCAZAR YARDS
- 21 WOULD BE A GREAT LOCATION ACROSS FROM THE LINCOLN HEIGHTS PARK
- 22 AND WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING ON THAT. I WON'T BE HERE
- 23 THERE TO SEE THAT ALL POTENTIALLY HAPPEN, BUT IT'S THE
- 24 BEGINNING WORKINGS OF TRYING TO REALLY BUST OPEN THOSE DOORS.
- 25 THERE IS SO MUCH THAT IS AVAILABLE. AND THE COUNTY HAS BEEN

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- 1 VERY GENEROUS IN ITS SUPPORT ALONG THE WAY, AND SO HAVE ALL OF
- 2 THE DIRECTORS THAT MAKE UNBELIEVABLE CONTRIBUTIONS. BUT WE
- 3 HAVE SO MUCH MORE THAT WE CAN BE DOING. I THINK A LOT OF IT IS
- 4 OPENING TO UP THE DIVERSIFIED COMMUNITIES OF L.A. COUNTY AND
- 5 PARTICULARLY THE CHILDREN AND MANY PEOPLE WHO CAN'T TRAVEL OUT
- 6 TO WILSHIRE AND SEE THE MUSEUM, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT
- 7 THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW ALL THE BEAUTIFUL
- 8 ART WORKS AND THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT EVERYONE HAS MADE ALONG
- 9 THE WAY. SO WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO EVENTUALLY HAVING A REAL
- 10 OPPORTUNITY. I KNOW THAT YOU'LL BE WORKING WITH THE C.A.O. AND
- 11 TRYING TO FIND THOSE WAYS TO MAKE THAT WORK AND WE'RE ALL VERY
- 12 EXCITED ABOUT IT. THANK YOU.

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- 14 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. MR.
- 15 YAROSLAVSKY SAYS HE WANTS TO BE LAST TO BE HEARD ON THIS
- 16 SUBJECT. THEN THE FIRST SHALL BE LAST. JUST SIMPLY WANT TO SAY
- 17 NOTHING LIKE EMBRACING THE FUTURE WITH IMAGINATION. DOING IT
- 18 IN THE WAY THAT SPEAKS TO THE EFFICACY OF PUBLIC- PRIVATE
- 19 PARTNERSHIPS, BUT TO DO IT IN A WAY THAT IS PRUDENT AND THAT
- 20 CAN BE BROADLY CELEBRATED. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU SEE
- 21 HERE. AND I'M CERTAINLY GLAD TO BE A PART OF THAT EFFORT AND
- 22 LOOK FORWARD TO THAT WHICH IS TO COME.

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24 MICHAEL GOVAN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

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1 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: INDEED.

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3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: AGREE. ZEV?

- 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, I JUST WANT TO ADD A COUPLE
- 6 THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, IF YOU WILL QUOTE ME, PLEASE QUOTE ME
- 7 ACCURATELY. I CALLED IT "THE LIVING ROOM OF LOS ANGELES." NOT
- 8 THE TOWN SQUARE. TOWN SQUARE IT'S NOT ZONED FOR IT. THIS IS A
- 9 HISTORIC DAY. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU. I WANT TO REMEMBER, AS
- 10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA DID, ANDREA RICH WHO PRECEDED YOU, WHO LAID
- 11 THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE POSSIBILITY THAT THIS COULD ACTUALLY
- 12 HAPPEN. THIS COULD NOT HAVE BEEN DREAMED OF 10 YEARS AGO. AND
- 13 YOU HAVE BEEN-- YOU AND YOUR BOARD, YOUR STAFF HAVE BEEN A
- 14 BREATH OF FRESH AIR FOR ALL OF US IN THE COUNTY. AND WHAT
- 15 YOU'VE DONE AT THE MUSEUM, DOUBLING THE ATTENDANCE FROM
- 16 ROUGHLY 600,000 A YEAR TO 1.2 MILLION SINCE YOU'VE BEEN HERE
- 17 IS A REMARKABLE, REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT, IT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF.
- 18 THIS PROJECT IS GOING TO BE HISTORIC FOR NOT JUST FOR THE
- 19 MUSEUM BUT FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND FOR ITS
- 20 LANDSCAPE, FOR ITS VIEW SCAPE, FOR ARTS AND CULTURE AND FOR
- 21 ECONOMICS. WHAT IT'S GOING TO DO FOR THE ECONOMY OF THE COUNTY
- 22 AND ESPECIALLY THAT PART OF THE COUNTY. IT'S NOT THE REASON
- 23 YOU'RE DOING THIS, BUT IT'S A BY-PRODUCT OF IT. AND ARTS AND
- 24 CULTURE IS A VERY VIBRANT PART OF THE ECONOMIC MOSAIC OF L.A.
- 25 COUNTY. I THINK THIS BOARD UNDERSTANDS IT REAL WELL. GLAD TO

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- 1 SEE THAT THE EDITORIALS HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT. AND I THINK
- 2 THE PUBLIC IS INCREASINGLY ACKNOWLEDGING THAT. I'VE SEEN IT IN
- 3 PUBLIC OPINION SURVEYS. PEOPLE CARE ABOUT ARTS EDUCATION. AND
- 4 THEY CARE THAT IF THEIR KID CAN'T PLAY IN THE ORCHESTRA IN THE
- 5 7TH GRADE LIKE PEOPLE OF MY GENERATION COULD. NOT WITH AS MUCH
- 6 EASE. THEY CARE IF THEY DON'T GET FIELD TRIPS TO THE MUSEUM
- 7 AND GET MICHAEL GOVAN TO GIVE THEM THE HARVARD LECTURE ABOUT
- 8 ART AND WHAT THEY'RE SEEING. THAT'S ALL GOING TO BE POSSIBLE
- 9 IN A BIGGER WAY NOW WITH THIS PROJECT. AND I THINK THAT ONE OF
- 10 THE REASONS THE BOARD IS UNANIMOUS ON THIS IS IT INCENTIVIZES
- 11 YOUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO MATCH ON A LEVEL THAT WE'RE GOING TO
- 12 END UP WITH A \$400 MILLION BUILDING FOR \$125 MILLION. WE OWN
- 13 THOSE BUILDINGS. MAKE THAT CLEAR. WE OWN THEM. IF THEY FALL
- 14 APART WITHOUT ANY RENOVATION, IT'S ON US TO BE ABLE TO GET
- 15 THIS DONE, LARGELY ON YOUR NICKEL, ON YOUR TRUSTEES' NICKEL
- 16 AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR'S NICKEL AND IN ART CONTRIBUTION IS A
- 17 VERY GOOD DEAL FOR ALL CONCERNED. SO I SALUTE YOU, MICHAEL. I
- 18 THINK THIS IS A TRIBUTE TO YOU. THIS BOARD, THE UNANIMITY OF
- 19 THIS BOARD IS A SIGN OF CONFIDENCE IN YOU. AND MR. ANTONOVICH
- 20 SAID SOMEWHERE IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS, IF THERE'S A WAY WE
- 21 COULD ENSURE YOU THAT YOU STAY HERE UNTIL YOU GET THIS JOB
- 22 DONE, WE KNOW WHERE TO FIND YOU IF YOU DECIDE TO GO SOUTH.
- 23 THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE. AND FOR BRINGING THIS PROJECT
- 24 TO US.

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1 MICHAEL GOVAN: THANK YOU.

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3 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. CHAIRMAN?

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5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YES.

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- 7 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: IS THIS MICHAEL GOVAN DAY IN L.A. OR WHAT?
- 8 WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE THAT OUT. DID YOU KNOW WHAT TODAY WAS?

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10 MICHAEL GOVAN: THAT TODAY WAS?

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- 12 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: YEAH, MICHAEL GOVAN DAY IN THE CITY, IN
- 13 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES? DID YOU KNOW THAT? IT IS. THANK
- 14 YOU.

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16 MICHAEL GOVAN: THANK YOU.

- 18 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: MR. CHAIR, WE HAVE A REPORT BEFORE YOU. I
- 19 WON'T GO THROUGH EVERY SINGLE RECOMMENDATION. BUT TODAY WE'RE
- 20 EXCITED THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD AND APPROVE THE FUNDING
- 21 CONCEPT FOR THIS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT PROJECT. AND AS WAS
- 22 MENTIONED EARLIER, ESSENTIALLY WE'RE GOING TO REPLACE
- 23 BUILDINGS THAT ARE OVER 50 YEARS OLD WITH AN ICONIC STRUCTURE
- 24 THAT WILL HOUSE IMPORTANT ART PIECES THAT OUR COUNTY OWNS. AND

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- 1 SO IF THERE WEREN'T ANY FURTHER COMMENTS, I'D ASK THAT YOU
- 2 MOVE OUR RECOMMENDATIONS AND WE TAKE IT TO THE NEXT STEP.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: FIRST WE HAVE TO MOVE MICHAEL GOVAN DAY.

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- 6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT WOULD BE A VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT.
- 7 YOU DON'T WANT TO DO THAT.

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9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: GIVE SOMEBODY SOMETHING TO SUE ABOUT.

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- 11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: COULD I MAKE OTHER COMMENTS? I WANT TO
- 12 COMMEND THE C.E.O. AND HIS STAFF, THE COUNTY COUNSEL,
- 13 TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR AND EVERYBODY WHO'S BEEN INVOLVED IN
- 14 THIS. THIS IS NOT AN EASY THING. IT'S QUITE COMPLICATED. AND I
- 15 DON'T THINK WE'D BE SITTING HERE TODAY IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR
- 16 THAT COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN OUR FOLKS, YOUR FOLKS, THANK
- 17 YOU, AND THE BOARD OFFICES.

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19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU, MICHAEL.

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21 MICHAEL GOVAN: THANK YOU.

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- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE DO HAVE SOME FOLKS THAT SIGNED UP.
- 24 HERMAN HERMAN, JABRIEL MUHAMMAD, ARNOLD SACHS. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

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- 1 HERMAN HERMAN: WELL REGARDING THE ISSUE OF ART FOR THE PUBLIC,
- 2 WE KNOW THAT BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR CAN AFFORD TO
- 3 CONTRIBUTE TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE FAULTY, DECAPITATING,
- 4 RUNDOWN BUILDINGS SUCH AS THE ONE I SIT IN. BUT WE MUST
- 5 ENCOURAGE PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY TO BE INVITED TO MORE PUBLIC
- 6 MEETINGS SO THAT THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE MILLIONS TO THE
- 7 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT WE, THE TAXHOLDERS ARE INVESTING FOR
- 8 OUR FUTURE FOR OUR CHILDREN AND MORE SO FOR THE CHILDREN WHO
- 9 CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN THESE AREAS WITH THE MUSEUM. AS WE ALL
- 10 KNOW THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY LONGER
- 11 FIELD TRIPS FOR MINORITY CHILDREN IN MINORITY AREAS, AND
- 12 GLORIA MOLINA'S WELL AWARE OF THAT. AND I'M SURE THAT SHE WILL
- 13 IMPROVE THAT WHEN SHE BECOMES THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL IN C.D.14
- 14 WITH MY SUPPORT ALONG WITH MANY OTHERS. BUT JUST LISTENING TO
- 15 THE DISCUSSION OF THIS \$600 MILLION TO BE SPENT ON THE EAST
- 16 CAMPUS FOR THE REPLACEMENTS OF THOSE TWO BUILDINGS, I AM
- 17 LOOKING FORWARD TO WALKING INTO THE IMPROVED INFRASTRUCTURE OF
- 18 THIS SHOWY, GAUDY BUILDING SO THAT I CAN ENJOY AS MUCH AS
- 19 ANYONE ELSE WHO HAS THE AFFORDABILITY TO PAY AND TAKE
- 20 ADVANTAGE OF THE MUSEUM'S EVENTS, EXHIBITS AND WITH FULL
- 21 COOPERATION I'M SURE THAT THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL THAT WILL
- 22 BE TAKING THEIR POSITIONS WILL HAVE THE SAME PUBLIC INTEREST
- 23 UNDER THE REGARDS OF ARTS FOR THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST. THANK
- 24 YOU.

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- 1 JABRIEL MUHAMMAD: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THIS IS JABRIEL
- 2 MUHAMMAD FOR BISMILLAH, THE JUSTICE MOVEMENT. OUR OBSERVATION
- 3 OF THE REPORT. IT'S A VERY GOOD PROJECT, AND WE WISH FOR THE
- 4 SUCCESS OF IT. WE PRAY FOR THE SUCCESS OF IT. HOWEVER, IN OUR
- 5 ANALYSIS, WE SEE THE IMAGES BEING PROJECTED AND WE OBJECT, IF
- 6 THIS IN FACT IS GOING TO BE THE STANDARD VIEW. MR. GOVAN SPOKE
- 7 IN REGARD TO COTTON PICKERS. AND THAT BEING OUR HISTORY AND HE
- 8 WAS REDUNDANT AND HE STATED IT A NUMBER OF TIMES. AND THEN
- 9 SAYING, WELL, I PRAY THAT THE IMAGES THAT WE PROJECT HERE IN
- 10 THE \$600 MILLION EFFORT WILL SHOW US IN A LIGHT, AN IMAGE FAR
- 11 MORE OUTSTANDING AND DIGNIFIED THAN COTTON PICKERS BECAUSE OUR
- 12 MENTAL HEALTH IS INVOLVED HERE. AND WHEN WE OBSERVE CERTAIN
- 13 IMAGES OF OURSELVES, WE TEND TO GRAVITATE TOWARDS THAT
- 14 PERCEPTION OF OURSELVES. AND SO WE WANT TO SHOW IT ALL. SO WE
- 15 PUT OUR PRAYERS AS FAR AS THE AFRICAN-AMERICANS' INVOLVEMENT
- 16 IN THIS PROJECT IS CONCERNED, THAT IT SHOWS US IN A FAR, FAR
- 17 GREATER LIGHT THAN COTTON PICKERS FOR THE SAKE OF OUR MENTAL
- 18 HEALTH. AND, AGAIN, TWO OF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE HOW THE MONEY
- 19 IS BEING SPENT SO THAT WE CAN BE SURE TO HAVE A GREATER
- 20 INVOLVEMENT IN THE IMAGES THAT ARE BEING PORTRAYED IN THIS
- 21 EFFORT. THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE.

- 23 ARNOLD SACHS: THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. OH, GOOD MORNING.
- 24 GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. COUPLE THINGS. THE ITEM STARTS
- 25 OFF "APPROVE THE CONCEPT OF COUNTY BOND FINANCING AND



- 1 CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE MUSEUM ASSOCIATES." SO FINANCING AND
- 2 CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MUSEUM ASSOCIATES. AND THEN FURTHER DOWN
- 3 HERE IT SAYS AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF \$7.5 MILLION IN
- 4 COMMERCIAL PAPER NOTES TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO MUSEUM
- 5 ASSOCIATES. SO THEY'RE CONTRIBUTING BUT YOU'RE PROVIDING
- 6 FINANCING TO THE SAME PEOPLE. THAT REALLY IS-- DOESN'T REALLY
- 7 MAKE SENSE. I MEAN, MAYBE YOU COULD CLARIFY THAT A LITTLE BIT?
- 8 I'M WONDERING BECAUSE WE HEARD SO MANY ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA
- 9 ABOUT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, THAT THIS WOULD TAKE SO LONG TO DO,
- 10 THE GENTLEMAN WHO SPOKE, WHO CAME UP AND MADE THE PRESENTATION
- 11 MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT IN 2001 THE FIRST PLAN FOR
- 12 RENOVATION OF THE PROPERTY WAS BROUGHT FORTH BUT IT WAS TOO
- 13 EXPENSIVE. SO THE FACT THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SAID IT
- 14 COULD BE CONSIDERED 10 YEARS AGO, HE WAS RIGHT. IT WAS
- 15 CONSIDERED 13 YEARS AGO. THINKING ABOUT THE GRAND AVENUE, HE
- 16 ALSO MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR EDITORIALS. AND I'M
- 17 THINKING ABOUT THE GRAND AVENUE PROJECT AND ALL THE EDITORIAL
- 18 PROJECTS THAT SAY THAT THAT'S THE BEST THING SINCE CHARMIN
- 19 CAME WITH DIMPLES BUT I'M ALSO THINKING THAT RELATED WHO
- 20 DEVELOPED THE GRAND AVENUE PROJECT GOT AWAY WITHOUT PAYING ANY
- 21 OF THE PENALTIES THAT THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE ASSESSED FOR
- 22 DEVELOPING THAT PROJECT. SO BASICALLY WHAT THEY PAID FOR THE
- 23 PARK WAS PROBABLY LESS THAN A WASH THAN WHAT THEY WOULD HAVE
- 24 PAID FOR THE PENALTIES. AND THEN THE AREA OF THIS PROJECT.
- 25 RIGHT DOWN THE HEART OF THE RED LINE, OF THE SUBWAY EXTENSION.

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- 1 YOU KNOW, SPEAKING OF WHICH, THE DOWNTOWN CONNECTOR, THE
- 2 STATION AT FLOWER STREET, \$600 MILLION. ART PROJECT, \$600
- 3 MILLION. SAME NUMBERS, ONE STATION, ONE ART. WHEW, BROAD
- 4 MUSEUM.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: IS THAT ALL? YOU ALREADY SPOKE EARLIER.
- 7 YOU MAY BE READY BUT YOU SIGNED UP EARLIER. THAT'S RIGHT. HE
- 8 RUNS THE MEETINGS. COME ON UP.

- 10 ERIC PREVEN: YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
- 11 DISTRICT 3. I'M ABSOLUTELY PLEASED WITH THIS PROJECT. I THINK
- 12 THAT MR. GOVAN AND MR. KATZ COULD MEET IN PRIVATE TO DISCUSS
- 13 WHO IS THE COUNTY FAVORITE BUT BOTH ARE DOING A VERY GOOD JOB.
- 14 AND I THINK THE BOARD MAKES THAT CLEAR REGULARLY. OKAY, I'LL
- 15 TAKE THE TEN SECONDS BACK, BUT THANK YOU FOR THAT. THAT'S A
- 16 GOOD POINT. YES, THAT'S TRUE. ALTHOUGH THEY DO, SOME ARE MORE
- 17 NAUGHTY THAN OTHERS. AT VARIOUS TIMES BUT THIS IS NOT ABOUT
- 18 NAUGHTY. THIS IS ABOUT A VERY ROBUST AND EXCITING PROGRAM FOR
- 19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY ART LOVERS. THERE ARE A FEW CONCERNS, OF
- 20 COURSE. MR. FUJIOKA AND MR. SALADINO KNOW WELL THAT BOND
- 21 FUNDING IS OF INTEREST. I WAS UNDERSTANDING, IS IT A 3:1 MATCH
- 22 OR 4:1 MATCH? MY MATH, I THOUGHT I HEARD 3:1 BUT IT'S 4:1 MORE
- 23 OR LESS? YEAH, IT'S A 4:1 MATCH. SO IT'S A \$125 MILLION BOND
- 24 BUT I THINK WITH THE COSTS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MORE LIKE 140
- 25 PLUS. SO IT'S ABOUT 10 MILLION A YEAR, WHICH I THINK IS GIVEN

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- 1 OUR LARGE BUDGET DOABLE. YOU KNOW, I WOULD JUST ENCOURAGE MR.
- 2 GOVAN THE TEAM AT L.A.C.M.A. TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ACCESS AND
- 3 TRANSPARENCY TO THE EVOLVING SOME FOR DESIGN WHICH LOOKS QUITE
- 4 DIFFERENT THAN IT DID LAST TIME WE WERE LOOKING AT IT. AND IS
- 5 THIS RELATED TO MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S SORT OF ANNEX THAT HE'S
- 6 PROPOSED LAST WEEK IN THE NEWSPAPER WHERE SOME OF THE
- 7 L.A.C.M.A. WORK WILL BE DISPLAYED? BECAUSE I THINK AS WE-- I
- 8 THINK THERE ARE PROVISIONS BEING MADE BUT AS WE GO INTO THIS
- 9 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT TOWARD 2023, WE DO DEFINITELY WANT TO
- 10 EXPERIMENT WITH WAYS TO MAKE OUR COLLECTION AVAILABLE DURING
- 11 THAT TIME. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE JAPANESE
- 12 PAVILION IS BEING RETAINED, WHICH IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT
- 13 IT IS, BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME VERY SPECIAL PIECES THAT SHOULD
- 14 NOT BE TAKEN DOWN. AND FINALLY I COULD SAY THAT THE BROWN ACT,
- 15 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, NAMING SOMETHING IN PUBLIC IS FINE.
- 16 IT'S MEETING BEHIND CLOSED DOORS ON PENSION SPIKING THAT'S NOT
- 17 OKAY.

- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY
- 20 MUCH. ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 21 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 22 SO BE THE ORDER. ALL RIGHT. WHAT DO I HAVE LEFT HERE? PARDON
- 23 ME? 22. ALL RIGHT. MICHELLE GARCIA. LAURA DIEGO. HERMAN
- 24 HERMAN. DID I HEAR THAT MICHELLE IS WAIVING AND THAT LAURA IS
- 25 WAIVING?

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- 2 HERMAN HERMAN: GOOD AFTERNOON. AND, YES, IN WHAT REGARD ARE WE
- 3 REFERRING HERE TO THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' WELL-BEING WHEN
- 4 WE TALK ABOUT AMENDMENTS TO THE HOMELESS FAMILY SOLUTION
- 5 SYSTEM? HOW IS IT THAT THE FUNDING OF CALIFORNIA WORK
- 6 OPPORTUNITIES AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITY FOR KIDS IS AN ACTION
- 7 THAT THIS COUNTY OR THE LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES SUCH AS THE CITY
- 8 OF LOS ANGELES ARE ACTUALLY TAKING AN EFFECT FOR HOMELESSNESS?
- 9 AT WORST, WHAT INVOLVEMENT FOR ANY OR ACTUAL SOLUTION HERE AND
- 10 THEREFORE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROGRAM? TECHNICALLY ARE WE
- 11 MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY? FOR THE HOMELESSNESS
- 12 SITUATION? AND THE CRITERIA THAT CONTINUES TO BE THE MAIN
- 13 PROBLEM OF OUR CONCERNS? WE'RE ON 22, MISS MOLINA, YOU'RE
- 14 WELCOME. SO IN ACTUALITY, THE PERFORMANCE OF NOT JUST THIS
- 15 LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY, BUT ALSO THE
- 16 CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS IGNORED TIMELESS AND TIMELESS THE
- 17 EFFORT TO REALLY PUT ACTION FOR HOMELESS FAMILY SOLUTIONS. I
- 18 FIND IT DUMBFOUNDING THAT WE HAVE A THREE-YEAR TERM WHEN IT
- 19 SHOULD BE ACTUALLY A ONE-YEAR TERM. SHOULD BASE IT UPON THE
- 20 PERFORMANCE THAT YOU ACTUALLY SPEND EVERY COUNTY DOLLAR, EVERY
- 21 CITY DOLLAR, EVERY DOLLAR FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL AND STATE AND
- 22 LOCAL AGENCIES TO REGULATIONS BEFORE YOU INCREASE ANY SCOPE OF
- 23 DOLLAR INVOLVEMENT FOR THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE WHO ARE
- 24 ENGAGED IN THE HOMELESSNESS SITUATION TODAY, OUR VETS. THANK
- 25 YOU.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. ITEM 22 IS BEFORE US. MOVED
- 3 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
- 4 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER. WITH THE
- 5 ABSTENTION OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU. SO ORDERED. WE
- 6 HAVE WHAT? 4-P. I DON'T THINK YOU'VE BEEN CALLED YET, SIR.
- 7 ANNIE LIU, DIANA PADILLA, PATRICIA ALLAF, JAMES ODLING.
- 8 WHOEVER IS READY TO GO, GO AHEAD. THANK YOU.

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- 10 JAMES ODLING: HI, I'M JIM ODLING, AND I'M CO-FOUNDER OF THE
- 11 FRIENDS OF WHITTIER NARROWS NATURAL AREA. I WANT TO SPEAK
- 12 AGAINST THE ADDITION OF \$3 MILLION TO GIVE TO THE SAN GABRIEL
- 13 RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT. I PASSED YOU SOME DOCUMENTS, I
- 14 THINK ONE IS A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, EDITORIAL FROM THE SAN
- 15 GABRIEL NEWSPAPERS A FEW YEARS AGO. I THINK IT CAPTURES A LOT
- 16 OF MY VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT. WHAT REALLY GOT ME INVOLVED IN
- 17 THIS THING IS WHEN I WENT TO A MEETING OF L.A. COUNTY'S
- 18 REGIONAL PLANNING BIOLOGICAL PROFESSIONALS, CALLED THE
- 19 SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE -- THIS
- 20 THING SAYS I ONLY GOT 30 SECONDS. I JUST STARTED.

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- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: EVERYONE IS GETTING A MINUTE. WE HAVE A
- 23 LOT OF SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM

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- 1 JAMES ODLING: OKAY. ANYWAY, I'M NOT GOING TO GET ANYTHING
- 2 DONE, BUT ANYWAY, BASICALLY, WE BELIEVE THAT THINKING SMALL IS
- 3 THE WAY TO GO. FOLLOW THE EDITORIAL LINE OF A NEWSPAPER, SAVE
- 4 THE NATURE, SAVE THE ENDANGERED SPECIES, SAVE MONEY, SAVE
- 5 WATER AND LESSEN TRAFFIC AND DECREASE GLOBAL WARMING BY NOT
- 6 FUNDING THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT. THANK
- 7 YOU.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. LAUREL HUNT. RICHARD SHOP,
- 10 SHOPE, MARK STANLEY AND SANDONNE GOAD?

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- 12 DIANA PADILLA: HI, MY NAME IS DIANA AND I AM THE PROJECT
- 13 MANAGER FOR THE YOUTH SCIENCE CENTER. I WORK FOR THE ECOVOICES
- 14 PROGRAM. AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER
- 15 DISCOVERY CENTER AND THE REASON FOR THAT IS BECAUSE I BELIEVE
- 16 THAT WE SHOULD TEACH OUR CHILDREN ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
- 17 AND TO NURTURE NATURE AND ALL THAT ENCOMPASSES, S.T.E.M.
- 18 SCIENCES. THANK YOU.

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20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

- 22 LAUREL HUNT: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LAUREL HUNT. AND I'M
- 23 THE PROGRAMS MANAGER AT THE LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY CENTER
- 24 FOR URBAN RESILIENCE, OR C.U.R.E.S. I AND THE REST OF THE
- 25 STAFF AT C.U.R.E.S. URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THE ACTION ITEM

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- 1 TO APPROVE PROP A FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3 MILLION FOR THE
- 2 SAN GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU.

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- 6 RICHARD SHOPE: GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM DR. RICHARD SHOPE, THE
- 7 DIRECTOR OF THE ECOVOICES OF THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY
- 8 CENTER AUTHORITY. MY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO CREATE COLLABORATIVE
- 9 UNITY, TO IMPLEMENT OUR AMBITIOUS RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND
- 10 YOUTH WORKFORCE PROGRAM. SEVERAL OF YOU HAVE PROVIDED SUPPORT
- 11 FOR OUR ECOVOICES COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS, THE YOUTH SCIENCE
- 12 CENTER, THE CENTER FOR URBAN RESILIENCE AT L.M.U., THE L.A.
- 13 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECS, THE L.A. CITY REC AND
- 14 PARKS DEPARTMENT AND SEVERAL L.A. COUNTY YOUTH WORKFORCE
- 15 DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES THAT PARTNER WITH US. I THANK YOU FOR
- 16 THAT SUPPORT. AND I APPLAUD THE EXCELLENT WORK OF OUR
- 17 ECOVOICES TEAM. IN THESE HISTORICAL TIMES WE ARE REACHING
- 18 THOUSANDS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN TO ENGAGE THEM AS SCIENCE-SAVVY
- 19 CITIZENS. THE NEW FACILITY WILL ENABLE OUR REACH TO EMBRACE
- 20 THE ENTIRE REGION OF L.A. COUNTY. AND FOR THIS, I SUPPORT THE
- 21 SAN GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER AUTHORITY AND YOUR VOTE ON
- 22 THAT MATTER. THANK YOU.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT.

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- 1 MARK STANLEY: THANK YOU. I'M MARK STANLEY THE EXECUTIVE
- 2 OFFICER OF THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER AUTHORITY.
- 3 I'M MORE THAN APPRECIATIVE THAT SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA HAS
- 4 TAKEN LEADERSHIP IN THIS PROJECT THAT SUPPORTS LONG OVERDUE
- 5 MODERNIZATION AND ENHANCEMENT OF THE NATURE CENTER WITHIN
- 6 WHITTIER NARROWS. THE DISCOVERY CENTER FACILITY IN THIS AREA
- 7 IS MIDWAY BETWEEN THE MOUNTAINS AND THE OCEAN, WILL PROVIDE
- 8 MUCH DESERVED STATE-OF-THE-ART EXHIBIT SPACE AND LABORATORIES
- 9 WHERE STUDENTS CAN RUN LONG TERM EXPERIMENTS THAT CAN ENGAGE
- 10 THEM IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRAINING AND TO PREPARE THEM
- 11 FOR THE FUTURE. WE'RE CURRENTLY AT THE NATURE CENTER PROVIDING
- 12 EDUCATION WITH THE ECOVOICES PROGRAM. THE YOUTH ARE OUT THERE
- 13 EVERY THURSDAY OBSERVING S.T.E.M.-BASED EDUCATION AROUND
- 14 WATER. IT'S BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM FOR NEARLY 6,000 KIDS
- 15 FROM SCHOOL DISTRICTS ACROSS THE AREA. JOHN MUIR ONCE SAID
- 16 "WHEN WE TRY TO PICK OUT ANYTHING BY ITSELF, WE FIND IT'S
- 17 HITCHED TO EVERYTHING ELSE IN THE UNIVERSE." I ASK US TO BE
- 18 MINDFUL HOW THIS PROJECT SUPPORTS THE NEEDS OF THE
- 19 UNDERSTANDING OF WATER. THE MORE WE CAN COMMUNICATE AND ENGAGE
- 20 IN HOW WATER IMPACTS US EVERY DAY, WHAT IS ACTUALLY HAPPENING
- 21 DURING THIS DROUGHT PERIOD AND WHERE WE CAN BE MORE INFORMED,
- 22 BE HEALTHIER OUR ENVIRONMENT WILL BE.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. JULIE MENDEL. CHRISTINE
- 2 TRINH. ANGELICA HERNANDEZ. DAVID DOWNING. PLEASE JOIN US,
- 3 PLEASE. NEXT?

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- 5 SANDONNE GOAD: GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MEMBERS MY NAME IS
- 6 SANDONNE GOAD. I AM THE TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRWOMAN OF THE
- 7 GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION. ON BEHALF OF OUR TRIBE, OUR TRIBAL
- 8 COUNCIL AND MYSELF, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE
- 9 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY SO THAT I MAY CONVEY OUR
- 10 SUPPORT OF THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT. THE
- 11 CURRENT FACILITY AT THE WHITTIER NARROWS REGIONAL PARK WAS
- 12 BUILT OVER 75 YEARS AGO AND IT'S DETERIORATING. IT CAN'T
- 13 SAFELY OR EFFICIENTLY ACCOMMODATE THE POPULATION GROWTH OF THE
- 14 LAST 75 YEARS. WHEN YOU AGREE TO SUPPORT THE DISCOVERY CENTER,
- 15 YOU WILL NOT ONLY BE GAINING A NEW GENERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL
- 16 STEWARDS BUT CONSCIOUS GUARDIANS OF OUR WATER RESOURCES. THIS
- 17 PROJECTS ALSO CREATES JOBS DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE AND
- 18 FUTURE JOBS FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT. I THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO
- 19 MY WORDS OF SUPPORT. WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL JOIN THE
- 20 GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION IN SUPPORTING THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER
- 21 DISCOVERY CENTER.

- 23 ANGELICA HERNANDEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS ANGELICA
- 24 HERNANDEZ AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE
- 25 SENATE AND SENATOR DR. ED HERNANDEZ AND FIRST AND FOREMOST I

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- 1 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS THEM
- 2 IN SUPPORT OF THE DISCOVERY CENTER. THE DISCOVERY CENTER IS A
- 3 PROJECT THAT IS A GREAT CATALYST THAT WILL RESTORE THE NATURAL
- 4 HABITAT OF THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER WATERSHED AND EDUCATE
- 5 COMMUNITIES ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING OUR WATER
- 6 RESOURCES. FURTHERMORE, THE DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT WILL
- 7 REVITALIZE AND PROTECT LOCAL ECOSYSTEMS WITH AN EMPHASIS ON
- 8 HABITAT RESTORATION AND AND STORM WATER CAPTURE. SO SENATOR
- 9 HERNANDEZ WOULD DEFINITELY LIKE TO STATE HIS ONGOING SUPPORT
- 10 FOR THE PROJECT AND HE WOULD DEFINITELY LIKE TO SEE FOR THE
- 11 BOARD TO APPROVE THE \$3 MILLION FUND. THANK YOU.

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13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT.

- 15 DAVID DOWNING: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S DAVID DOWNING. I'M
- 16 THE INSTRUCTIONAL DIRECTOR FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN EAST LOS
- 17 ANGELES REPRESENTING SUPERINTENDENT ROBERTO MARTINEZ IN FAVOR
- 18 OF THE DISCOVERY CENTER SCIENCE PROJECT. ONE OF THE CHALLENGES
- 19 THAT WE FACE PARTICULARLY AS STUDENTS MOVE INTO MIDDLE SCHOOLS
- 20 IS MAKING THEIR LEARNING COME ALIVE AND TAKING PRINCIPLES IN
- 21 THIS CASE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS, ET CETERA,
- 22 AND ANSWERING THE QUESTION: WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME? FOR THE
- 23 STUDENTS. SO THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
- 24 TO HAVE HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE RIGHT IN THEIR OWN BACKYARD, TO
- 25 NOT HAVE TO TRAVEL GREAT DISTANCES, TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO

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- 1 EXPERIMENT AND TO LEARN IS AN OPPORTUNITY THAT I BELIEVE
- 2 SHOULD BE AFFORDED THEM. AND I WANT TO STRONGLY ENCOURAGE AND
- 3 URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AND THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR
- 4 STUDENTS IN EAST LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. KLARISSA PALACIOS. BELINDA
- 7 FAUSTINOS. MIGUEL LUNA. AND SAM PEDROZA.

- 9 KLARISSA PALACIOS: GOOD EVENING, MY NAME IS KLARISSA PALACIOS.
- 10 I'M THE DIRECTOR OF <INAUDIBLE> RELATIONS FOR L.A.U.S.D..
- 11 BOARD DISTRICT 2, AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF OUR L.A.U.S.D.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MISS MONICA GARCIA TO EXPRESS HER SUPPORT FOR THE
- 13 SAN GABRIEL RIVER AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION THAT WILL IT
- 14 BRING TO OUR COMMUNITY. MISS GARCIA'S AWARE OF THE GREAT
- 15 SUCCESS OF ECOVOICES PROGRAM WHICH L.A.U.S.D. PROGRAMS HAVE
- 16 PARTICIPATED IN, ALONG WITH STUDENTS FROM SEVERAL DISTRICTS
- 17 THROUGHOUT THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND MOST RECENTLY LOS
- 18 ANGELES COMMUNITY. MISS GARCIA IS PLEASED TO HAVE ASSIGNED
- 19 GABRIEL RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER INVOLVING THE COMMUNITIES IN
- 20 OUR DISTRICT THAT WILL PROVIDE A HEALTHY AND VIBRANT NATURAL
- 21 AREA AND CENTER WHERE STUDENTS CAN GAIN THE KNOWLEDGE AND
- 22 DESIRE TO IMPROVE THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER REGION. WE STAND WITH
- 23 THE DISCOVERY CENTER'S MISSION TO INSPIRE ENVIRONMENTAL
- 24 STEWARDSHIP AND JOIN WITH THE NUMEROUS STATE, LOCAL AGENCIES
- 25 AND COOPERATIONS WITH PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS PRIVATE GROUPS AND

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- 1 THE LOCAL COMMUNITY IN SUPPORT OF THE DISCOVERY CENTER. WE'RE
- 2 HERE TO URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THE ACTION ITEM TO APPROVE
- 3 PROP 8 FUNDING FOR DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT. THANK YOU.

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5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

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- 7 BELINDA FAUSTINOS: GOOD MORNING. BELINDA FAUSTINOS. THANK YOU
- 8 VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. I WANT TO
- 9 APPLAUD AND THINK SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS
- 10 HERE FOR REALLY CONSIDERING THIS THIS ITEM WHICH HAS BEEN IN
- 11 THE MAKING FOR OVER A DECADE. AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT HAS ALL
- 12 THE OTHER PEOPLE BEFORE ME HAVE SO ELOQUENTLY SAID, WE REALLY
- 13 NEED IN TERMS OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION IN THE SAN GABRIEL
- 14 VALLEY, BUT ALSO THE FARTHER REACHES THAT THIS PROJECT WILL BE
- 15 ABLE TO BRING IN KIDS FROM LONG BEACH AND OTHER AREAS THAT
- 16 WOULD BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE PART OF A WATERSHED
- 17 THAT EXTENDS UP INTO THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS. WE JUST
- 18 RECENTLY WERE PRIVILEGED TO HAVE THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS
- 19 NATIONAL MONUMENT DESIGNATED BY PRESIDENT OBAMA. THIS IS A
- 20 GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR BEING ABLE TO LINK WHAT HAPPENS IN URBAN
- 21 AREAS AND HOW THEY RELATE TO OUR SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS. SO I
- 22 WOULD JUST URGE YOU TO APPROVE THIS ITEM AND REALLY THANK YOU
- 23 FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT IN PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THIS REGION.
- 24 THANK YOU.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ASK SHARON GREEN AND HERMAN HERMAN TO
- 2 JOIN US?

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- 4 SAM PEDROZA: GOOD MORNING, BOARD. MY NAME IS SAM PEDROZA. I'M
- 5 AN ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER FOR THE SANITATION DISTRICTS AND
- 6 CHAIR OF THE STAKEHOLDERS FOR THE DISCOVERY CENTER. I'M HERE
- 7 TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT. IT'S A LONG TIME
- 8 COMING. IT'S A WATERSHED EDUCATION CENTER, AND TRULY AN
- 9 EMPHASIS ON THE EDUCATION. THE EDUCATION IS THE CORNERSTONE OF
- 10 ANY STORM WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM, AND THAT'S A BIG ISSUE
- 11 THAT ALL OF THE COUNTY AND ALL THE CITIES ARE FACING. SO THIS
- 12 CENTER WILL DEFINITELY PROVIDE THAT EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT THAT
- 13 WE'RE ALL LOOKING FOR. SO WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT AND THANK YOU
- 14 FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. THANK YOU
- 15 VERY MUCH.

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND CITY COUNCILMEN.

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- 19 SAM MENDOZA: YES. THAT'S WHY FROM THE CITY PERSPECTIVE THIS IS
- 20 VERY KEY.

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22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: NEXT?

- 24 SHARON GREEN: I'M SHARON GREEN. I'M ALSO WITH THE SANITATION
- 25 DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE ARE HERE TODAY IN

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- 1 SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. WE WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING
- 2 THIS FUNDING. WE ALSO ARE PROVIDING FUNDING TO ARE THE PROJECT
- 3 THAT WILL BE KEY IN BRINGING LEVERAGING YOUR FUNDING. OUR
- 4 FUNDING IS THE RESULT OF AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION BY THE REGIONAL
- 5 WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD. WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM TO
- 6 MAKE IT AVAILABLE THROUGH WHAT'S CALLED A SUPPLEMENTAL
- 7 ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT, AND THAT CAN BRING THIS GREAT PROJECT
- 8 FORWARD TO THE COMMUNITY. SO AGAIN WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT AND
- 9 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

- 13 HERMAN HERMAN: IN REGARDS TO THIS ITEM 4-P, WE SEE THE SCHOOL
- 14 DISTRICT, ELIAS DIAZ, HAS FAILED TO PROVIDE WITH US THE
- 15 SCIENCE AND EDUCATION TO PROMOTE ACTION OF SUCCESS. SO WE HAVE
- 16 TO RESORT TO A PROGRAM SUCH AS THIS UNDER THE FEDERAL AND
- 17 STATE EDUCATION ENVIRONMENTAL ACT FOR MONITORING AND REPORTING
- 18 WHAT OUR CHILDREN AND I'M SURE THE SUPPORT OF YOUR VOTES WILL
- 19 BE UNANIMOUS FOR THE \$3 MILLION TO PROVIDE TO THE SAFE
- 20 NEIGHBORHOOD AND PARKS PROPOSITION ALONG WITH THE MANY OTHER
- 21 CONCERNS ADDRESSED TODAY BY AND I WON'T REITERATE WHAT MANY OF
- 22 PERSONNEL HAVE SPOKEN OF TODAY OR YOUR CIVILIAN POPULATION.
- 23 BUT I AM FOR THIS AND I THANK GLORIA MOLINA IN SUPPORT OF THIS
- 24 DISTRICT WITHIN HER DISTRICT, DISTRICT 1. AND I'M LOOKING

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- 1 FORWARD TO SEEING HER ON COUNCIL IN DISTRICT 14 AS MR. HUIZAR
- 2 IS FAILING TO STEP DOWN. THANK YOU.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. WHERE WAS THE YOUNG MAN THAT
- 5 CAME UP FIRST THAT HAD NOT? COME ON UP.

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- 7 IRVIN BARREGAN: I'LL MAKE THIS QUICK. GOOD AFTERNOON,
- 8 HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO
- 9 COME AND SPEAK ON SUPPORTING THE DISCOVERY CENTER. MY NAME IS
- 10 IRVIN BARREGAN. I'M A HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE, PAST CORPS MEMBER
- 11 AND NOW JUNIOR STAFF AT THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION
- 12 CORPS. THERE'S MANY REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD SUPPORT THIS
- 13 PROJECT BUT I'M GOING TO FOCUS MAINLY ON TWO. ONE, CALIFORNIA
- 14 IS IN A DROUGHT. WE ALL KNOW THAT. WE NEED A 21ST CENTURY
- 15 ENERGY EFFICIENT WATERSHED RESTORATION PROJECT. WE DESPERATELY
- 16 NEED IT TO SET UP THE BAR FOR THE REST OF CALIFORNIA TO
- 17 FOLLOW. AND, SECONDLY, THE LOCATION PROPOSED FOR THE DISCOVERY
- 18 CENTER IS IN A COMMUNITY THAT NEEDS A LOT OF HELP. A LOT OF
- 19 YOUTH BEHIND ME LIVE IN THAT COMMUNITY, AS WELL. AND IT COULD
- 20 POTENTIALLY PROVIDE A LOT OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR US. AND
- 21 PERSONALLY, I'D RATHER SPEND MY TIME WITH MY DAUGHTER AT THE
- 22 DISCOVERY CENTER THAN STUCK IN TRAFFIC TRYING TO DRIVE TO THE
- 23 NEAREST SCIENCE CENTER WHICH IS PRETTY FAR. THANK YOU.
- 24 [APPLAUSE.]

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1 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU.

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- 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YOU'RE WELCOME. OKAY. WITH THAT, THE
- 4 ITEM'S BEFORE US.

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- 6 SUP. MOLINA: MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST LET ME SAY THAT THIS IS GOING
- 7 TO GO A LONG WAY IN REALLY CREATING THE ENVIRONMENTALS THAT WE
- 8 NEED FOR OUR NEXT GENERATION. THE DISCOVERY CENTER, IT GETS AN
- 9 AWFUL LOT OF VISITORS, BUT REALLY IT NEEDS TO BE REDONE IN A
- 10 MAJOR WAY. BUT WHAT'S EXCITING ABOUT IT IS THAT AS THIS HAS
- 11 STARTED, IT HAS BUILT BEAUTIFUL PARTNERSHIPS WITH MANY OF OUR
- 12 AGENCIES OR ORGANIZATIONS, OUR NONPROFITS. IT REALLY HAS COME
- 13 TOGETHER. AND THEY HAVE GELLED TO REALLY CREATE THE KIND OF
- 14 COLLECTIVE PARTNERSHIPS THAT I THINK THE DISCOVERY CENTER WILL
- 15 BENEFIT FROM IN THE YEARS TO COME. SO THIS ALLOCATION OF FUNDS
- 16 WILL GO A LONG WAY NOT ONLY INTO BUILDING A STRONGER KIND OF
- 17 COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT SO THAT THE DISCOVERY CENTER WILL
- 18 BENEFIT, BUT MORE SO TO CONTINUE TO CREATE THIS KIND OF
- 19 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION THROUGHOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND
- 20 COMMUNITIES AND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES LIKE WE
- 21 HAVE ALONG THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER TO MAKE USE OF ALL OF THAT.
- 22 SO, IT IS A WIN/WIN FOR ALL OF US.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 2 MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE
- 3 ORDER. THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS, ALL OF YOU.

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5 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE'LL DO ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR
- 8 YAROSLAVSKY, HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

- 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS.
- 11 I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF KAYGEY KASH-MOSK, A
- 12 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT IN SANTA MONICA WHO PASSED
- 13 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. KAYGEY WAS BORN IN SIOUX CITY, IOWA.
- 14 SHE WAS THE YOUNGEST OF 14 CHILDREN BORN TO A RABBI AND HIS
- 15 WIFE. FOLLOWING HER GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL, SHE MOVED
- 16 WITH HER FAMILY TO LOS ANGELES WHERE SHE BECAME A LEADER IN
- 17 THE LOS ANGELES AND NATIONAL JEWISH COMMUNITIES. THAT'S WHERE
- 18 I FIRST MET HER WHEN I WAS A COLLEGE STUDENT, A HIGH SCHOOL
- 19 STUDENT ACTUALLY. AMONG OTHER POSITIONS, SHE SERVED AS THE
- 20 INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT OF B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN, COMMISSIONER OF
- 21 HILLEL AND B'NAI B'RITH NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTH ORGANIZATION.
- 22 HONORARY LIFE COMMISSIONER OF THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE AND
- 23 LIFE MEMBER OF ITS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. WAS ALSO THE FORMER
- 24 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES JEWISH FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S
- 25 DIVISION. SHE SERVED ON MANY ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES AT



- 1 THE STATE AND LOCAL LEVEL WORKING WITH ME AND MY PREDECESSOR,
- 2 ED EDELMAN, AS WELL AS GOVERNOR PAT BROWN THEN ATTORNEY
- 3 GENERAL STANLEY MOSK WHOM YEARS LATER SHE WOULD MARRY AFTER
- 4 HIS APPOINTMENT TO THE STATE SUPREME COURT FOLLOWING THE DEATH
- 5 OF HER HUSBAND OF 54 YEARS, LOUIS KASH. SHE RECEIVED MUCH
- 6 RECOGNITION FOR HER ACTIVITIES AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY
- 7 ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE LEAVES A DAUGHTER LESLIE BRODIE, A
- 8 GRANDDAUGHTER EMILY REMBA, A GRANDSON L.B. BRODIE, A BROTHER
- 9 IRVIN MARON AND NUMEROUS NIECES AND NEPHEWS. HER TWO HUSBANDS,
- 10 LOU KASH AND JUSTICE STANLEY MOSK PREDECEASED HER. SHE WAS 93
- 11 YEARS OLD. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TOM MAGLIOZZI,
- 12 LONGTIME COHOST OF NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO'S "CAR TALK" WHO
- 13 PASSED AWAY JUST A COUPLE DAYS AGO AT THE AGE OF 77. WITH HIS
- 14 BROTHER RAY, THE DUO CALLED THEMSELVES CLICK AND CLACK, THE
- 15 TAPPET BROTHERS AND DISPENSED A MIXTURE OF PRACTICAL
- 16 MECHANICAL ADVICE AND CORNY JOKES AND PUNS THAT AMUSED AND
- 17 CHARMED LISTENERS FOR DECADES, PUNCTUATED BY A SOUND TRACK OF
- 18 TOM'S HEARTY AND INFECTIOUS LAUGH. THE SHOW ORIGINATED AT
- 19 BOSTON N.P.R., STATION WBUR AND BECAME AN INSTANT HIT WHEN IT
- 20 WENT NATIONAL IN 1987. WHILE THE PAIR TOOK ON THE CHARACTERS
- 21 OF WORKING-CLASS GREASE MONKEYS, BOTH, IN FACT, WERE
- 22 ENGINEERING GRADUATES OF M.I.T., AND TOM HAD EARNED A DOCTORAL
- 23 DEGREE IN MARKETING AND HAD BEEN A COLLEGE PROFESSOR. THEY
- 24 DID, HOWEVER, ACTUALLY OWN A COUPLE OF GARAGES AND FIXED CARS
- 25 FOR A TIME BEFORE DEVOTING THEMSELVES TO BROADCASTING. WITH

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- 1 THE ONSET OF TOM'S ILLNESS, THE SHOW HAS BEEN AIRING ARCHIVED
- 2 RERUNS FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. TOM IS SURVIVED BY HIS YOUNGER
- 3 BROTHER, RADIO PARTNER RAY AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. THOSE ARE
- 4 MY TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED. I MOVE TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN
- 7 IN MEMORY OF GRACIE IWAKI, THE MOTHER OF DR. KEN IWAKI, A
- 8 FRIEND AND CHIROPRACTOR, RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. SHE WILL BE
- 9 MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER AND ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
- 10 FRIEDA ANN COLLINS WILLHIDE, A HIGH SCHOOL CLASSMATE AND A
- 11 LONGTIME FRIEND, PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AFTER A STRUGGLE WITH
- 12 CANCER. SHE WAS SURROUNDED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND WILL BE
- 13 MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND
- 14 JOHN, THREE CHILDREN, THREE STEPCHILDREN, BROTHER WILLIAM AND
- 15 FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. AS I SAID, SHE'LL BE DEARLY MISSED BY HER
- 16 FAMILY AND FRIENDS, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE'RE GOING TO ASK
- 19 THAT THE BOARD ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF OFFICER SHAUN RICHARD
- 20 DIAMOND WHO WAS A S.W.A.T. POLICE OFFICER WITH THE POMONA
- 21 POLICE DEPARTMENT AND A RESIDENT OF WHITTIER WHO WAS
- 22 TRAGICALLY KILLED OCTOBER 28 AT THE AGE OF 45.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL MEMBERS.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: HE WAS A 16-YEAR LAW ENFORCEMENT VETERAN,
- 2 ALSO SERVING WITH L.A.P.D. AND MONTEBELLO POLICE DEPARTMENTS.
- 3 HE JOINED THE POMONA POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2006 AND WAS A
- 4 MEMBER OF THE S.W.A.T. TEAM SINCE 2008. HE HAD WORKED IN
- 5 OUTREACH EFFORTS AT THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS EVENTS AND
- 6 PARTICIPATED IN S.W.A.T. DEMONSTRATIONS FOR OUR SCHOOL
- 7 CHILDREN. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO CHILDREN AND HIS
- 8 MOTHER, JOY. GEORGE SKURLA, MY BELOVED UNCLE WHO PASSED AWAY
- 9 ON OCTOBER 29TH AT THE AGE OF 85. HE WAS RETIRED PROBATION
- 10 OFFICER AND SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE KIMBERLY AND NUMBER OF NIECES
- 11 AND NEPHEWS. EDWARD JAROLD WRIGHT, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
- 12 LANCASTER. HE HAD SERVED DURING WORLD WAR II AS A B-17 GUNNER
- 13 BEFORE HIS CAREER AS EDUCATOR. TEACHER, PRINCIPAL, LANCASTER
- 14 SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AND THEN RETIRED AND BECAME AN
- 15 ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER. IN
- 16 RETIREMENT HE OPENED AND OPERATED THE CATFISH ED'S LOUISIANA
- 17 BARBECUE RESTAURANT. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 66
- 18 YEARS AND HIS SON AND THREE GRANDDAUGHTERS AND TWO GREAT
- 19 GRANDDAUGHTERS AND A LARGE EXTENDED FAMILY. KIYOSHI
- 20 KAWARATANI, OWNER OF RAFU BUSSAN INC. IN LITTLE TOKYO FOR THE
- 21 PAST 56 YEARS, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. DURING WORLD WAR
- 22 II, HE AND HIS FAMILY WERE INCARCERATED IN ARIZONA AND LATER
- 23 MOVED TO A CAMP IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. IN 1951, HE MOVED TO
- 24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH HIS WIFE AND PURCHASED RAFU BUSSAN
- 25 WHICH IS THE LARGEST JAPANESE RETAIL STORE IN LITTLE TOKYO. HE



- 1 WAS KNOWN FOR HIS STRONG SUPPORT OF THE JAPANESE-AMERICAN
- 2 COMMUNITY AND SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 61 YEARS IKO AND HIS
- 3 FIVE SIBLINGS. VERY GOOD FRIEND, LONGTIME SUPPORTER RENEE
- 4 SPERLING, RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
- 5 OF 76. SHE AND HER HUSBAND FRANK OPERATE SPERLING'S FURNITURE
- 6 IN PALMDALE. SHE WAS QUITE AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE PALMDALE
- 7 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND WITH FAMILIES VERY CHARITABLE IN
- 8 SUPPORTING THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS IN ANTELOPE
- 9 VALLEY. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND FRANK AND THEIR
- 10 THREE CHILDREN. JOANNE LOUISE HIDER, RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA
- 11 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75. SHE HAD BEEN A NURSE AT THE
- 12 OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER FOR OVER 20 YEARS. ACTIVE MEMBER IN
- 13 THE COMMUNITY AND HONORED BY THE BOY SCOUTS, THE RIO VISTA
- 14 P.T.A. FOR HER SERVICE. RODERICK HILLS, FORMER HEAD OF THE
- 15 SECURITIES EXCHANGE COMMISSION UNDER PRESIDENT GERALD FORD
- 16 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. HE HAS SERVED AS DEPUTY TO THE
- 17 WHITE HOUSE COUNSEL PHILIP BUCHEN WHEN PRESIDENT FORD NAMED
- 18 HIM TO THE S.E.C. HE WAS THE COFOUNDER OF MUNGER, TOLLES &
- 19 OLSEN LAW FIRM AND THE FOUNDER OF THE HILLS PROGRAM ON
- 20 GOVERNANCE AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CARLA AND THEIR
- 21 CHILDREN. SELENA JOHNSON, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, HAD
- 22 BEEN A COUNTY EMPLOYEE SINCE 2002 WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT
- 23 OF FAMILY, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AS A SOCIAL WORKER.
- 24 AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FIANCE AND HER SON, FATHER AND HER
- 25 BROTHER. BEVERLY KENDALL LINCOLN, LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA



- 1 CLARITA VALLEY, SHE HAD BEEN AN EDUCATOR AT MOUNTAIN VIEW
- 2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR THE PAST 17 YEARS. VOLUNTEER FOR THE
- 3 ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF SANTA CLARITA. AND SERVED ON THE BOARD OF
- 4 THE OLD ORCHARDS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION. CARMION ROBERTA
- 5 RATKOVICH OF PASADENA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 29. SHE WAS
- 6 THE PRESIDENT OF THE COOLIDGE SCHOOL P.T.A. AND VOLUNTEER AT
- 7 ST. STEVEN'S ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL. FAWZY HABIB PASSED AWAY
- 8 OCTOBER 25TH. HE'S WORKED FOR 28 YEARS AS A BUILDING INSPECTOR
- 9 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WHEN HE RETIRED IN 1997. HE WAS
- 10 A THIRD DEGREE MASON IN THE TEMPLE CITY MASONIC LODGE, A
- 11 SHRINER IN SAN GABRIEL AND DEACON AT ARCADIA PRESBYTERIAN
- 12 CHURCH AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS, DAUGHTER AND THREE
- 13 GRANDCHILDREN. RICARDO FLORES RODRIGUEZ PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
- 14 OF 52. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
- 15 DEPARTMENT FOR THE PAST 22 YEARS AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
- 16 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND ST. CLARE OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH.
- 17 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN. HE WAS A LONGTIME
- 18 RESIDENT OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. DORINE OWENS WHO WAS A
- 19 FORMER SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
- 20 DEPARTMENT PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 24TH. RETIRED FROM THE COURT
- 21 SERVICES EAST AFTER 16 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. RUDOLPH
- 22 CINCLO WALKER, JR. OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT
- 23 AGE 86 AND HE HAD SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY, WORKED AS
- 24 AEROSPACE FLIGHT TEST ENGINEER. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
- 25 AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A MOTION FOR A

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- 1 REPORT BACK. AND "A RECENT STORY BY KNBC HAD IDENTIFIED AT
- 2 LEAST 442, POSSIBLY THOUSANDS MORE DUPLICATE VOTER
- 3 REGISTRATIONS AND OTHER ALLEGED IRREGULARITIES IN THE VOTER
- 4 FILE. EVEN WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE PROCESS OF UPDATING
- 5 AND CORRECTING VOTER RECORDS IS COMPLEX, IT'S STILL INCUMBENT
- 6 UPON THE COUNTY TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY OF VOTER REGISTRATION
- 7 WHILE PRESERVING THE RIGHT OF EVERY ELIGIBLE VOTER TO EXERCISE
- 8 ONE'S RIGHT TO VOTE. I WOULD REQUEST THAT THE AUDITOR-
- 9 CONTROLLER REVIEW THE ALLEGED DUPLICATE VOTER REGISTRATIONS
- 10 AND OTHER ALLEGED VOTER IRREGULARITIES WITH THE VOTER FILE AND
- 11 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN 30 DAYS." THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR.
- 12 CHAIR.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
- 15 ADJOURNMENTS?

- 17 SUP. MOLINA: YES, BUT LET ME ALSO EXTEND MY DEEPEST
- 18 CONDOLENCES TO POMONA POLICE OFFICER SHAUN DIAMOND'S
- 19 DAUGHTERS, MARGOT AND KELLY DIAMOND, AS WELL AS HIS ENTIRE
- 20 FAMILY. THE POMONA POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE ENTIRE CITY OF
- 21 POMONA AS WELL AS THE BROTHER AND SISTERHOOD OF LAW
- 22 ENFORCEMENT THROUGHOUT. HE WAS A VERY DEVOTED LAW OFFICER
- 23 SERVING AND PROTECTING THE CITY OF POMONA. HE LOST HIS LIFE
- 24 WHILE HELPING PROVIDE MUTUAL AID DURING AN OPERATION IN THE
- 25 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. WE'RE CONSTANTLY REMINDED THE DANGEROUS

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- 1 WORK THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT CARRIES OUT EVERY SINGLE DAY TO KEEP
- 2 OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES SAFE. IT IS CERTAINLY
- 3 IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE SENSE OF THIS TRAGIC LOSS. BUT WE WANT TO
- 4 HONOR OFFICER DAVID'S MEMORY AND THE SACRIFICES HE AND HIS
- 5 FAMILY HAVE MADE AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT FAMILY. THE FUNERAL HAS
- 6 BEEN HELD TODAY AND I WANT TO THANK THAT THE POMONA POLICE
- 7 DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN GETTING ASSISTANCE FROM OVER 15 LOS
- 8 ANGELES COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD POLICE DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING OUR
- 9 OWN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND SO WE SHOULD ALL ADJOURN IN HIS
- 10 MEMORY AND HIS GREAT SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY.

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL MEMBERS.

- 14 SUP. MOLINA: SO WITH THAT, I ALSO HAVE A MOTION THAT I'D LIKE
- 15 TO INTRODUCE FOR NEXT WEEK, AND THAT IS "ON MARCH 11, 2014,
- 16 THIS BOARD CREATED A COUNTY TOXIC THREAT STRIKE TEAM COMPRISED
- 17 OF MULTIPLE COUNTY AGENCIES TO ENGAGE AND COLLABORATE WITH
- 18 STATE AGENCIES AND OTHER LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AS NEEDED TO GAIN
- 19 LEVERAGE TOWARDS A SOLUTION CONCERNING EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES.
- 20 THEIR CHARGE INCLUDING IDENTIFYING AN ACTION TO ACHIEVE
- 21 EXIDE'S CLOSURE UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES
- 22 MAKES A FINAL DETERMINATION REGARDING EXIDE'S PERMITS. THE
- 23 U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DETERMINED THAT EXIDE WAS
- 24 THE WORST LEAD POLLUTER IN CALIFORNIA AND THE THIRD WORST IN
- 25 THE NATION. THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT



- 1 DISTRICT 2012 RISK ASSESSMENT WARNED THAT THE CANCER THREAT
- 2 DUE TO EXIDE'S TOXIC LEAD, ARSENIC AND BENZINE IS GREATER THAN
- 3 ANY OTHER FACILITY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. TOXIC LEAD LEVELS
- 4 ARE FOUND IN SOIL SAMPLES OUTSIDE THE EXIDE FACILITY, MOST
- 5 DISTURBINGLY IN HOME IN THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD. AND
- 6 RECENTLY, IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT TRUCKS FROM EXIDE HAVE LEAKED
- 7 TOXIC MATERIAL INTO COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN
- 8 CALIFORNIA, ON COUNTY ROADS AND BEYOND. DESPITE THESE HORRIFIC
- 9 ACTS, THE D.T.S.C HAS ALLOWED THIS HAZARDOUS FACILITY TO
- 10 OPERATE FOR 33 YEARS, WITHOUT A REQUIRED PERMIT. D.T.F.C KNOWS
- 11 THAT UNACCEPTABLE LEVELS OF LEAD, ARSENIC AND BENZENE CAUSED
- 12 BY EXIDE'S BATTERY RECYCLING OPERATION HAVE CONTAMINATED THE
- 13 AIR, WATER AND SOIL IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. IT'S CLEAR THAT
- 14 D.T.F.C. HAS BEEN UNABLE TO TAKE ANY ACTION TO PERMANENTLY
- 15 SHUTTER EXIDE. THIS COMMUNITY AS WE ALL KNOW DESERVES BETTER
- 16 PROTECTION OF ITS ENVIRONMENT. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD
- 17 CONTINUE ITS PURSUIT OF ACTIONS TO SHUTTER EXIDE'S FACILITY
- 18 AND TO SWIFTLY ABATE THE POLLUTION THAT EXIDE HAS CAUSED. I
- 19 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE COUNTY
- 20 COUNSEL TO EXPLORE POTENTIAL LEGAL ACTIONS AGAINST EXIDE
- 21 TECHNOLOGIES, EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR IN CONCERT WITH OTHER
- 22 JURISDICTIONS OR PUBLIC AGENCIES AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD
- 23 IN ONE WEEK WITH THOSE LEGAL OPTIONS TO SHUTTER EXIDE AND
- 24 ABATE THE TOXIC CONDITIONS SURROUNDING THE FACILITY AND THE
- 25 AFFECTED NEIGHBORHOODS." THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. FOR NEXT WEEK. OKAY. SUPERVISOR
- 3 RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

- 5 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. CHAIRMAN, I DO HAVE TWO ADJOURNING
- 6 MOTIONS AND ONE READ-IN. WOULD YOU JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN
- 7 MEMORY OF NINA NOCOX, BORN MAY 29, 1965 PASSED ON OCTOBER 28
- 8 AT THE AGE OF 49. A RESIDENT OF COMPTON. SHE BECAME A CRITICAL
- 9 CARE NURSE IN 1999. EARNED HER BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN
- 10 NURSING FROM UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX AND WORKED FOR OVER 14
- 11 YEARS AS A REGISTERED AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. IN 2006, SHE
- 12 OPENED THE DOORS TO GRACEFUL SENESCENCE ADULT DAY HEALTHCARE
- 13 IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, WHICH PRESENTLY SERVES OVER 130 SENIORS
- 14 AND DISABLED ADULTS. SHE WAS ALSO AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP BY THE
- 15 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS FOR THE
- 16 MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT FOR ENTREPRENEURS PROGRAM AT U.C.L.A.
- 17 NATURAL LEADER SHE WAS, ELECTED AMONG HER PEERS TO SERVE AS
- 18 PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF ADULT DAY SERVICES.
- 19 SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATION, TO ADVOCACY FOR
- 20 SENIORS' RIGHTS. SHE ALSO WOULD BE KNOWN FOR HER LOVE OF
- 21 TRAVEL AND HER ENJOYMENT OF A VIBRANT AND COMPASSION-FILLED
- 22 LIFE. MRS. NOCOX IS SURVIVED BY HER FATHER, NOBLE, HER
- 23 DAUGHTER JASMINE, SISTERS ADRIENNE AND ROCHELLE, TWO
- 24 GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO WILL MISS

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- 1 HER DEARLY. AND, MR. CHAIRMAN, I ASK ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME IN
- 2 ADJOURNING FOR MR. ARNET HEARTSFIELD.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL MEMBERS.

- 6 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: BORN JUNE 14, 1918 IN BELLINGHAM,
- 7 WASHINGTON AND PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 31ST AT THE AGE OF 96.
- 8 HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE LOS ANGELES CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN
- 9 1940 AND WORKED UNDER SEGREGATED CONDITIONS. WHEN WORLD WAR II
- 10 BROKE OUT, MR. HEARTSFIELD SERVED IN U.S. ARMY AS AN INFANTRY
- 11 LIEUTENANT WHERE HE WAS ASSIGNED TO A SEGREGATED UNIT. UPON
- 12 HIS RETURN FROM SERVING IN THE WAR, HE RETURNED TO THE STILL
- 13 SEGREGATED FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EARNED A LAW DEGREE FROM THE
- 14 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE LED THE FIGHT FOR
- 15 INTEGRATION AND EQUALITY WITHIN THE L.A. CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT.
- 16 AND AFTER HE AND OTHER BLACK FIREFIGHTERS ENDURED YEARS OF
- 17 HARASSMENT AND WERE DENIED PROMOTIONS. HE WAS ONE OF THE
- 18 FOUNDERS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS' ORGANIZATIONS KNOWN TO US AS THE
- 19 STENTORIANS, WHICH IS A GREEK TERM FOR THOSE WHO SPEAK OUT.
- 20 MR. HEARTS FIELD PRACTICED LAW, OFTEN REPRESENTING CLIENTS
- 21 WITHOUT CHARGING THEM, AND WENT ON TO TEACH LAW FOR SOME 26
- 22 YEARS RETIRING WHEN HE WAS APPROXIMATELY 70 YEARS OLD. MR.
- 23 HEARTSFIELD WROTE A BOOK ABOUT AFRICAN-AMERICAN FIREFIGHTERS
- 24 IN LOS ANGELES ENTITLED "THE OLD STENTORIANS" AND HELPED TO
- 25 ESTABLISH THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN FIREFIGHTERS MUSEUM WHICH

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- 1 OPENED AS A MUSEUM IN 1977-- 1997, HONORING AFRICAN-AMERICAN
- 2 FIREFIGHTERS FOR 100 YEARS OF SERVICE. MR. CHAIRMAN AND THE
- 3 COLLEAGUES, HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS ONE WHO FOUGHT INJUSTICE
- 4 AND IS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE GREAT STENTORIANS, U.S. ARMY
- 5 VETERAN, A FIREFIGHTER, A LAWYER AND AS A HISTORIAN. MR.
- 6 HEARTSFIELD IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JEAN AND MANY FAMILY AND
- 7 FRIENDS, MEMBERS OF THE L.A. CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT. STENTORIANS
- 8 THEMSELVES AND MANY THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY WHO WILL IN FACT
- 9 ALWAYS REMEMBER HIS VALIANT FIGHT. ARNET HEARTSFIELD, JR., MR.
- 10 CHAIRMAN.

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SO ORDERED.

- 14 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: WITH YOUR PERMISSION I'D LIKE TO READ IN
- 15 THE FOLLOWING MOTION WITH THE REQUEST THAT WE HAVE A REPORT
- 16 BACK IN 60 DAYS PERTAINING TO PROPOSITION 47. I THINK IT'S A
- 17 MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD NOW THAT ONCE AGAIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 18 VOTERS HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR REFORM IN THE CRIMINAL
- 19 JUSTICE SYSTEM. PROPOSITION 47 PASSED 59 PERCENT TO 41 PERCENT
- 20 THROUGHOUT THE STATE, BUT IN L.A. COUNTY, THAT WAS 63 PERCENT
- 21 TO SOME 37 PERCENT. OUR SENTIMENTS HAVE BEEN STRONGLY
- 22 COMMUNICATED IN TERMS OF THIS MEASURE. THE THRUST OF THIS
- 23 MOTION IS TO DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, IN
- 24 CONSULTATION WITH THE SHERIFF, THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF L.A.
- 25 COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PUBLIC DEFENDER,

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- 1 THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER TO IDENTIFY POLICY IMPLICATIONS
- 2 FOR THE PASSAGE OF THIS MEASURE ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 3 SECONDLY, WE WANT TO DIRECT JAIL CONSTRUCTION PLANNERS TO
- 4 ESTIMATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROP 47 ON THE SIZE OF THE
- 5 COUNTY JAIL POPULATION ON THE NEED FOR BEDS AND THE POLICY
- 6 ASSUMPTIONS USED TO MAKE SUCH A DETERMINATION. THIRDLY, WE
- 7 WISH TO DIRECT THE C.E.O. IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT
- 8 OF PROBATION, MENTAL HEALTH, DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND LOS ANGELES
- 9 COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION TO BEGIN IDENTIFYING THOSE EXISTING
- 10 EVIDENCE-BASED TRUANCY PREVENTION MENTAL HEALTH AND DRUG ABUSE
- 11 TREATMENT PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO KEEP OFFENDERS AND POTENTIAL
- 12 OFFENDERS OUT OF PRISON AND JAIL THAT WOULD BE THE MOST
- 13 COMPETITIVE FOR ANY NEW GRANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE. FINALLY,
- 14 TO REQUEST THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IDENTIFY VICTIMS SERVICE
- 15 PROGRAMS THAT WOULD MERIT ADDITIONAL STATE GRANT FUNDING.
- 16 AGAIN, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, WE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE THIS
- 17 BY WAY OF A REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS.

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- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. PUBLIC
- 20 COMMENT? DINA NOVAK. RANDA REED. ISRAEL JUDAH. AND ARNOLD
- 21 SACHS WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

- 23 SPEAKER: THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE BOARD.
- 24 I LIVE IN A BUILDING THAT IS MANAGED BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
- 25 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. MY APARTMENT HAS MOLD. I'M HERE

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- 1 TODAY TO ENLIST YOUR HELP IN GETTING THE HOUSING AUTHORITY TO
- 2 REMEDIATE MY APARTMENT FROM DANGEROUS MOLD WITH THE CLEARANCE
- 3 REPORT BY CERTIFIED REMEDIATION COMPANY. JUST TO GIVE AN IDEA.
- 4 IN TWO MONTHS I LIVED IN TWO CONSECUTIVE APARTMENTS IN MARINA
- 5 MANOR WITH HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF DANGEROUS MOLD ONE DUE TO A
- 6 PIPE BURST. REPAIRS TOOK 16 DAYS, VERSUS WHAT H.U.D. SAYS THAT
- 7 IT SHOULD TAKE WITHIN 24 HOURS TO 48 HOURS TO PREVENT MOLD.
- 8 THE FIRST TESTS SHOWED DANGEROUS MOLD JUST TO GIVE AN IDEA,
- 9 ASPERGILLUMS PENICILLIUM WAS AT 510 LEVEL OUTSIDE AND 268,000
- 10 INSIDE THE KITCHEN CABINET. THAT'S 525 TIMES MORE THAN THE
- NORM. IN MOLD TEST NO. 2, IT WAS AT 200 OUTSIDE VERSUS 31,800.
- 12 SO THAT'S 188 TIMES MORE. TODAY IS DAY 40 THAT I'M STAYING IN
- 13 THE MOTEL MAXING OUT MY CREDIT CARDS PAYING RENT FOR MY
- 14 APARTMENT WHICH I CANNOT LIVE IN. I AM DISPLACED. THE HOUSING
- 15 AUTHORITY IS TELLING ME YOU'RE NOT DISPLACED. E.P.A. BROCHURE
- 16 ON MOLD, ON THE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC HEALTH ON THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 17 ANGELES STATES RESIDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO RETURN TO THE AREA
- 18 UPON REMEDIATION WITHOUT ANY HEALTH COMPLAINTS OR PHYSICAL
- 19 SYMPTOMS. I HAVE PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS. I CANNOT BREATHE STUCK IN
- 20 THE APARTMENT. I AM DISPLACED AND BREATHING IS NOT OPTIONAL. I
- 21 URGE YOU TO LOOK INTO THIS SITUATION. THIS BUILDING IS FOR
- 22 SENIORS. IT'S FOR DISABLED PEOPLE. MOLD IS TOXIC. THANK YOU.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: IS THERE SOMEONE FROM THE HOUSING
- 2 AUTHORITY IN THE BACK THERE THAT CAN VISIT WITH HER? IF NOT I
- 3 BELIEVE MARINA MANOR IS IN YOUR DISTRICTS, ZEV.

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- 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MS. NOVAK HAS BEEN TALKING TO MY OFFICE. WE
- 6 NEED TO GET C.D.C. INVOLVED AND HOUSING AUTHORITY. IF WE CAN
- 7 JUST-- IF SOMEBODY COULD FIND OUT IF THERE'S SOMEBODY HERE
- 8 FROM THE C.D.C. IN THE BACK, WE'LL HAVE SOMEBODY TALK TO YOU.

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10 NINA NOVAK: I'VE NEVER BEEN TO YOUR OFFICE.

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- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DIDN'T SAY YOU WERE. YOU NEVER CALLED MY
- 13 OFFICE? HAVE YOU CALLED? YEAH, THAT'S WHAT I SAID. YOU HAD
- 14 CALLED.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. NEXT? WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO
- 17 AHEAD.

- 19 RANDA REED: YES. MY NAME IS RANDA REED AND I'VE BEEN HERE
- 20 BEFORE. AS AN INDEPENDENT VOTER, I WITNESSED A MEASURE THAT
- 21 WAS SENT TO THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY YESTERDAY. MY HOPE IS YOU ARE
- 22 DEMOCRATIC SUPERVISORS WHO ALSO SIT ON M.T.A.'S BOARD AS
- 23 DIRECTORS WILL HEED THE WARNING. THE M.T.A. HAS COMMITTED A
- 24 LOT OF CRIMINAL ACTS ON WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGAINST ME AND
- 25 THE PUBLIC BY MISMANAGING PUBLIC FUNDS. THERE IS NO-- UNDER

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- 1 DIVISION OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS AN
- 2 IMPERIAL, IMPARTIAL MEDICAL EXAMINER. THAT WAS REPEALED IN
- 3 2001, 2003. BUT M.T.A.'S ATTORNEYS CONTINUE TO SEND ME
- 4 DOCUMENTS THAT SAYS YOU ARE TO GO TO I.M.E. IT DOESN'T EXIST.
- 5 THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE MAKES LABOR CODES. M. T.A. HAS
- 6 CONTINUED TO STATE A FRAUDULENT LABEL CODE 4062 POINT 2 I.
- 7 WHICH I KNOW I'VE SAID THIS OVER AND OVER WHICH YOU GUYS AS
- 8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO ARE ALSO DIRECTORS OF M.T.A.,
- 9 HAVE CRIMINALLY ALLOWED THESE CRIMINAL ACTS BY M.T.A. TO
- 10 PROCEED AGAINST ME AND THE PEOPLE OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA
- 11 BECAUSE M.T.A. IS PAYING THOSE ATTORNEYS FOR OVER SEVEN YEARS
- 12 OF STATE FOR FRAUDULENT LABOR CODES, FRAUDULENT CALIFORNIA
- 13 CODE OF REGULATIONS BECAUSE THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATORS WHICH
- 14 MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS ONCE A MEMBER OF KNOWS THAT M.T.A.
- 15 AND A JUDGE DOES NOT MAKE UP LABOR CODES. THE CALIFORNIA
- 16 LEGISLATURE DO. AND I AM TIRED OF THE CRIMINAL ACTS THAT HAVE
- 17 BEEN PERPETRATED AGAINST ME WHILE YOU PEOPLE WHO ARE SUPPOSED
- 18 TO WORK FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CONTINUE TO
- 19 LET M.T.A. COMMIT CRIMINAL ACTS AGAINST ME AND THE PEOPLE OF
- 20 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I WILL SEE YOU ON THE 13TH AT THE NEXT
- 21 BOARD MEETING. AND HOPEFULLY THAT YOU GUYS WOULD TAKE NOTICE
- 22 OF THE CRIMINAL ACTS THAT'S BEING PERPETRATED AGAINST ME AND
- 23 THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA.

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25 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SEE YOU ON THE 13TH.

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- 2 RANDA REED: SEE YOU ON THE 13TH? OKAY. HOPEFULLY ONE DAY--
- 3 CRIMINAL ACTS YOU WILL BE ARRESTED.

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5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. MIKE GOMEZ.

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7 SPEAKER: MAY I HAVE MY THREE MINUTES PLEASE?

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YOU HAVE TWO. WE'LL START YOU AGAIN.
- 10 START HIS TIME AT 2.

- 12 SPEAKER: I HAVE ADJUDICATIVE CONCLUSIVE SELF-AUTHENTICATING
- 13 EVIDENCE THAT LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT WORKING WITH THE
- 14 LOS ANGELES CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, I GOT EVIDENCE THAT WOULD
- 15 CLEARLY PROVE THAT THEY FABRICATED, COMPLETELY FABRICATED AND
- 16 FALSIFIED CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST ME. I'M GOING TO NAME THE
- 17 NAMES HERE, SUPERVISOR DETECTIVE THOMPKINS, LOCATED 100 WEST
- 18 FIRST STREET AND THOMPKINS, THAT'S SUPERVISOR DETECTIVE
- 19 THOMPKINS. DETECTIVE BUN. AND DISTRICT CITY ATTORNEY, DEPUTY
- 20 CITY ATTORNEY GREGORY ALLEN DORFFMAN. THOSE THREE ARE THE
- 21 MASTERMINDS. AND DISTRICT DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY MALECA COLE,
- 22 DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY ALLEN SIMSIMSI HAGEN, AND DETECTIVE BROWN
- 23 IS INVOLVED. MAY I HAVE SOME ATTENTION, PLEASE? DETECTIVE
- 24 ROSS. AND DETECTIVE HERNANDEZ. I HAVE ADJUDICATIVE,
- 25 CONCLUSIVE, SELF-AUTHENTICATING MATERIAL FACTS. I GOT EVIDENCE

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- 1 AND I WOULD LIKE TO SHOW SOMEONE. I NEED SOME HELP HERE. THE
- 2 CHIEF KNOWS ABOUT IT. CHIEF BECK, HE KNOWS THE CIRCUMSTANCES,
- 3 THE EVENTS, THE FACTS AND THE EVIDENCE AND HE'S REFUSING TO DO
- 4 ANYTHING ABOUT IT. WON'T HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE. CRIMINAL ACTS
- 5 WERE COMMITTED AGAINST ME. AND I CAN PROVE IT RIGHT HERE.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YOU HAVE TO GO TO L.A. CITY HALL FOR
- 8 THAT.

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10 SPEAKER: WHAT? CITY HALL?

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: L.A. CITY. IT'S L.A.P.D. IT'S NOT THE
- 13 L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. YOU'RE AT THE WRONG PLACE.

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15 SPEAKER: WHAT ABOUT OVER HERE AT THE CITY ATTORNEY'S.

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- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THAT'S COUNTY COUNSEL. CITY ATTORNEY IS
- 18 DOWN THERE WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. SORRY. NEXT? WHOEVER SPEAKS,
- 19 GO AHEAD. MIKE GOMEZ IN THE AUDIENCE? JOSE MARTINEZ? GO AHEAD.

- 21 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. WHEN YOU STARTED THE MEETING
- 22 THERE WERE QUITE A FEW ITEMS ON THE AGENDA I DIDN'T GET TO
- 23 SPEAK ABOUT. SO LET'S SEE. ITEM 3-P WAS ABOUT PLAZA FUNDING
- 24 FOR THE ART, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. BUT I BELIEVE ON THE OCTOBER
- 25 2014, I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE COMPLAINING ABOUT METRO, IMAGINE



- 1 THAT. THE METRO BOARD MEETING IN OCTOBER 2014, THEY ACCEPTED
- 2 FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY THAT YOU JUST HAD ON YOUR AGENDA ITEM
- 3 TODAY REGARDING THE PLAZA. SO I'M WONDERING WHY THE BOARD, THE
- 4 METRO BOARD WOULD ACCEPT FUNDING, IT'S KIND OF LIKE, YOU KNOW,
- 5 YOU SIT ON THE BOARD AND YOU ALLOCATE FUNDING FOR METRO AND
- 6 THEN YOU COME OVER HERE AND YOU ALLOCATE THE FUNDING TO THE
- 7 FUNDING FOR METRO. THERE'S A CONFLICT THERE. ITEM C.S.-5
- 8 REFERS TO THE COUNTY PROPERTY THAT YOU WANT TO PURCHASE. SO
- 9 I'M WONDERING, BASED ON PROP 13, DOES THE COUNTY GET ASSESSED
- 10 FOR THAT NEW PROPERTY? BECAUSE THE OWNERS THAT ARE SELLING IT,
- 11 THEY'RE NOT THE ORIGINAL OWNERS. AND SINCE THERE IS NO 50
- 12 PERCENT OWNERSHIP OR 51 PERCENT OWNERSHIP OF THAT GROUP, THEY
- 13 WOULD BE PAYING AN OLD ASSESSMENT VALUE. BUT NOW THAT THE
- 14 COUNTY IS BUYING IT, DO THEY GET ASSESSED ON A NEW STANDARD?
- 15 THE HIGHEST ASSESSMENT POSSIBLE? I HELD ITEM NO. 4 ABOUT THE
- 16 URBAN FARMING, OR I DIDN'T, BUT SOMEBODY MENTIONED URBAN
- 17 FARMING. AND HOW WONDERFUL YOU'RE DOING IT. I WAS THINKING
- 18 THAT'S BECAUSE OF THE B.O.S. MANURE. THAT REALLY WOULD HELP
- 19 FARMING. I MADE A COMMENT ABOUT THE FEDERAL-LED-- SUPERVISOR
- 20 MOLINA'S PRESENTATION ABOUT THE MARINE WHO COULDN'T GET HIS
- 21 MEDALS AND YET YOU MADE A PRESENTATION TO SOMEBODY WHO'S BEEN
- 22 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE FOR 16 YEARS. 16 YEARS AND
- 23 HE CAN'T FIND THE MEDALS AND BROWN ACT VIOLATIONS. REMEMBER
- 24 THAT SEINFELD EPISODE ABOUT INDIFFERENCE? THEY ALL GOT
- 25 ARRESTED.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT? JABRIEL MUHAMMAD. JOSH
- 3 LIDDY. HERMAN HERMAN.

- 5 ERIC PREVEN: OKAY, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
- 6 DISTRICT 3. IN ADVANCE OF YOUR CLOSED SESSION, I JUST WANTED
- 7 TO DIRECT ONE QUESTION TO THE CHAIR BUT IT'S REALLY FOR I
- 8 THINK THE C.E.O. YOUR MEETING ON C.S.-5 ON THE REAL ESTATE
- 9 ITEM, WE GOT THE SUPER DUPER DEAL COMING UP FOR THE SECOND
- 10 DISTRICT. IT'S 1977 SATURN L.L.C. BUT IS THERE A NAME
- 11 ASSOCIATED WITH THAT ONE? OR ARE THERE INDIVIDUALS? IS THAT
- 12 SOMETHING THAT WE COULD GET OFF TO THE SIDE? I THINK IT WOULD
- 13 BE GOOD FOR THE PUBLIC JUST TO HEAR OUT LOUD, NUMBER 1. NUMBER
- 14 2, ITEM, THERE ARE A COUPLE ITEMS ON THIS ALSO. ITEM 36 WHICH
- 15 I BELIEVE HAS BEEN CONTINUED. I JUST WOULD CLOSELY AT THAT
- 16 ITEM. THIS IS THE CAMP KILPATRICK PROBATION CAMP WHICH IS AN
- 17 IMPORTANT ONE BECAUSE THE BUDGET SOARED UP TO 52 MILLION AS
- 18 YOU RECALL OVER THE LAST COUPLE YEARS. YET IT'S A PROBATION
- 19 CAMP WITH 100 PLUS BEDS SO THERE'S SOME REAL QUESTIONS THERE.
- 20 WE BROUGHT IN A FIRM NAMED VERNARD BROTHERS ON A DESIGN BUILD
- 21 PROGRAM HERE WHO HAVE BID I THINK 34 MILLION FOR THE JOB. SO
- 22 THE HIGHEST BIDDER AFTER THEM OR THE NEXT BIDDER WAS SORT OF
- 6-1/2 MILLION HIGHER. SO THEY'RE GIVING US A SUPER DUPER DEAL.
- 24 I'M JUST WONDERING WHAT'S THE DISCREPANCY BETWEEN 34 AND 52? I
- 25 KNOW THE ANSWER IS, A LOT OF THAT IS COUNTY MONEY GOING INTO

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- 1 ADMINISTRATIVE AND VARIOUS BUT THAT SEEMS AWFULLY HIGH AND I
- 2 WOULD CHECK THAT. AND IN CONCLUSION, I GUESS, WELL THERE'S
- 3 ALSO \$44 MILLION PARKING GARAGE FOR ITEM 43 WHICH I THINK MARK
- 4 RIDLEY-THOMAS IS PRESIDING OVER. I MAY HAVE THAT WRONG. THAT'S
- 5 A LOT FOR PARKING, AND WE SHOULD LOOK AT THE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
- 6 PARKING SUBSIDIES, BECAUSE I ACTUALLY BELIEVE, AND MR.
- 7 SALADINO YOU COULD LOOK INTO THAT, I BELIEVE THAT IS A BROWN
- 8 ACT VIOLATION TO BE CHARGING PEOPLE TO PARK AT A BOARD
- 9 MEETING. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, I DO CARE ABOUT THE BROWN
- 10 ACT. AND I DO CARE ABOUT OPEN GOVERNMENT. AND I DON'T THINK
- 11 THAT I SHOULD BE RIDICULED FOR THAT. I DON'T THINK THAT THIS
- 12 BOARD SHOULD DO THAT AT ALL. I THINK THIS BOARD SHOULD ANSWER
- 13 THE QUESTION I RAISED LAST PUBLIC COMMENT WHICH IS ARE YOU IN
- 14 AGREEMENT WITH THE FINDING OF THE D.A.? ARE YOU GOING TO
- 15 ANSWER IT?

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- 17 JABRIEL MUHAMMAD: JABRIEL MUHAMMAD, WITH BISMILLAH, THE
- 18 JUSTICE MOVEMENT. FIRST IN OBJECTION TO THE EARLY ADJOURNMENT
- 19 ON THE PART OF THE BOARD, BEING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: DULY NOTED.

- 23 JABRIEL MUHAMMAD: BUT WE WANT TO DEAL WITH TWO SITUATIONS
- 24 HERE. WE ARE DEALING WITH THE DECADENT BILLBOARD AT 3867
- 25 CRENSHAW. IT'S A SUPERVISORIAL JURISDICTION. WE'RE ASKING THAT

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- 1 THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE SUPERVISORIAL AUTHORITY IN THAT AREA
- 2 TO PUT IT UPON THE REST OF THE LEADERSHIP IN THAT AREA TO
- 3 REMOVE THAT DECADENT BILLBOARD. SAY NO NAMES, BEAR NO BLAMES.
- 4 ONE MORE ITEM AND THAT'S THE HIRING STANDARDS OF M.T.A. THIS
- 5 CAME TO MIND THAT THIS STANDARD IS IN VIOLATION OF DUE
- 6 PROCESS. WHY DO YOU SAY THAT, MUHAMMAD? WE'VE DONE RESEARCH
- 7 AND WE FOUND THAT THE 20 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE, THE AFRICAN-
- 8 AMERICANS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE EMPLOYED. THEY'RE BEING
- 9 UNDERMINED BY HAVING TO TEST. AND IN THEIR TESTING, THEY FOUND
- 10 THAT WHEN THEY TEST POSITIVE FOR MARIJUANA, THEY'RE NO LONGER
- 11 QUALIFIED FOR THE JOB BECAUSE THEY'RE A HAZARD, THEY ARE
- 12 CONSIDERED A HAZARD AT THE WORKPLACE. OKAY. SO NOW THEY MADE
- 13 US TAKE THE ANALYSIS OF TESTING. SO WE'RE SAYING WELL IS THE
- 14 M.T.A. TESTING FOR ALCOHOL? BECAUSE YOU TALK ABOUT BEING A
- 15 HAZARD AT THE WORKPLACE. AND WE KNOW HOW MUCH OF A HAZARD THAT
- 16 PARTICULAR CONCOCTION IS. SO IF IN FACT THEY'RE NOT TESTING
- 17 FOR ALCOHOL, THEN THERE IS A SLANT HERE IN THE POLICIES THAT
- 18 THEY'RE USING AS FAR AS HIRING IS CONCERNED. AND THIS IS WHAT
- 19 YOU WANT TO CONTEST, THAT SLANT IN THE USE BECAUSE THEY ARE
- 20 NOT TESTING FOR ALCOHOL AND THEY'RE <INAUDIBLE> BECAUSE YOU
- 21 KNOW THESE MARIJUANA SHOPS, THE CONCERNS ARE POPPING UP IN OUR
- 22 COMMUNITY LIKE 40 GOING NORTH IS MAKING IT VERY ATTRACTIVE TO
- 23 OUR YOUTH AND ONLY TO FIND WHEN THEY APPLY FOR A JOB--

25 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: NEXT? NEXT? NEXT? GO AHEAD.

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- 2 JOSH LIDDY: MY NAME IS JOSH LIDDY. I WAS HERE AT THE END OF
- 3 THE SEPTEMBER AND SPOKE ABOUT THE SHELTER SYSTEM, SPOKE ABOUT
- 4 MY INTEREST IN RUNNING THE CARSON SHELTER. THAT POSITION IS
- 5 STILL OPEN, BY THE WAY. I WAS MADE AWARE THAT MRS. MAEDA SENT
- 6 A LETTER OUT IN RESPONSE TO ME SPEAKING TWO WEEKS LATER TO YOU
- 7 GUYS. WELL, IT RESPONDED TO NOTHING THAT I ACTUALLY SAID. I'M
- 8 WELL AWARE THAT I DON'T HAVE THE ACTUAL EXPERIENCE THAT THEY
- 9 DEMAND. I WASN'T CONTESTING THAT. MY ISSUE IS THAT THE SHELTER
- 10 SYSTEM IS BASICALLY COMPLETELY BROKEN ESPECIALLY IN L.A.
- 11 COUNTY. MY ISSUE IS THE MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS OF NEEDING TO
- 12 HAVE SUCH EXPERIENCE IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE JOB IS
- 13 RIDICULOUS. THAT'S A COMPLETE RACKET. NO ONE WILL EVER BE ABLE
- 14 TO CHANGE ANYTHING THAT'S BEING DONE WITH AN IRON CURTAIN
- 15 AROUND THE HIRING PROCESS. THEY JUST BASICALLY RECYCLE MASS
- 16 DOG KILLERS THERE. I CAN'T EVEN VOLUNTEER THERE. IT'S
- 17 RETALIATION CENTRAL. I REALIZE THAT YOU GUYS HAVE A LOT OF
- 18 ISSUES ON YOUR PLATE. THE SHELTER STUFF IS PROBABLY OUT OF
- 19 SIGHT, OUT OF MIND. MAYEDA WILL TELL YOU SOMETHING. OR PAINT A
- 20 CERTAIN PICTURE AND YOU TAKE IT AT FACE VALUE. WELL I'M HERE
- 21 TO TELL YOU THAT MARSHA MAYEDA IS A HUGE PART, A HUGE PROBLEM
- 22 WITH WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE L.A. COUNTY SHELTER SYSTEM. I
- 23 PERSONALLY TAKE 1/3 OF THE SALARY OF THE OUTGOING MANAGER AT
- 24 THE CARSON SHELTER THAT'S NO LONGER THERE, AND I'D PUT THE
- 25 REST OF IT, THE OTHER TWO-THIRDS INTO COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND

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- 1 EXPANDING LOW COST SPAY AND NEUTER AND A BUNCH OF OTHER STUFF.
- 2 SO I'M BASICALLY JUST ASKING HOW DO I GET AN INTERVIEW FOR
- 3 THIS POSITION? BECAUSE I'VE BEEN COMPLETELY IGNORED BY THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT. I DON'T EXPECT TO GET ANY RESPONSE FROM THEM SO
- 5 THAT'S WHY I'M COMING HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. DEBORAH POLE AND DAVID
- 8 SERRANO.

- 10 HERMAN HERMAN: SO IN REGARDS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC IMPORTANCE,
- 11 WHAT I'M SPEAKING ABOUT IS THE VIOLATIONS OF THE BROWN ACT.
- 12 54950 TO 54963. CONTINUES TO BE AN ISSUE OF DISCRIMINATION
- 13 TOWARDS THE PUBLIC. PUBLIC IMPORTANCE UNDER GENERAL PUBLIC
- 14 IMPORTANCE. AND THE ISSUE HAS TO DO WITH A.D.A., WHICH
- 15 PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF A DISABILITY AND A
- 16 STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITH PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS, SUCH
- 17 PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS MUST COMPLY WITH THE VERY BASIC OF
- 18 NONDISCRIMINATION. SUCH REQUIREMENTS SHOULD NOT VIOLATE THE
- 19 BROWN ACT OR THE FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT TO SPEECH AT ANY PUBLIC
- 20 MEETING. TAKE, FOR EXAMPLE, MR. GALPIN, THE CONTROLLER FROM
- 21 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WITH A HIGH PITCHED VOICE ALMOST
- 22 SOUND LIKE MICKEY MOUSE WHEN HE SPEAKS? DOES THAT IRRITATE
- 23 MOST OF YOU OR SOME OF YOU? THERE'S A CHANCE IT DOES. BUT NO
- 24 ONE SHOULD BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ON THE BASIS OF HOW HIGH
- 25 PITCHED OR HIGH SENSORED THEIR VOICE SHOULD BE. SUCH

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- 1 REQUIREMENTS OF THE A.D.A. PROHIBIT EXCLUSION, SEGREGATION AND
- 2 UNEQUAL TREATMENT WHERE ON THE ACT OF DISCRIMINATION RAISES
- 3 THE ISSUE OF GENERAL PUBLIC IMPORTANCE. I IN PARTICULAR AM A
- 4 PERSON WHO HAS EXPERIENCED THE HOSTILE APPROACH OF LOCAL
- 5 GOVERNMENT WHO SAY THAT I SPEAK TOO HIGH PITCHED, I RAISE MY
- 6 VOICE, BUT THE INTENT OF MY USE OF LANGUAGE IS TO AROUSE THE
- 7 GIANT, YOU THE BEAST, THE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
- 8 AND FIND NOTHING OFFENSIVE OR DISRUPTIVE WHEN I AGITATE THE
- 9 SITUATION TO GET YOUR ATTENTION, SUCH AS I HAVE WITH MR. DON
- 10 KNABE. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR ELECTING TIM MCCONNELL [SIC]
- 11 OUR NEW SHERIFF. CONGRATULATIONS.

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13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: I'LL BE SURE TO PASS THAT ON TO TIM.

15 HERMAN HERMAN: I BROUGHT YOU SOMETHING.

17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

19 DAVID SERRANO: GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY

- 20 SPIRIT. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD, AMEN. THE
- 21 HOLY TRINITY IS THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, PRAISE
- 22 THE LORD. REALITY IS: THE LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN
- 23 AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN. ETERNAL JESUS WAS CONCEIVED BY THE
- 24 POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD AND CHRIST WAS BORN OF THE
- 25 SANCTIFIED VIRGIN MARY. JESUS NEVER SINNED. JESUS CHRIST SPOKE

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- 1 THE WORD OF GOD AND HE FORGAVE PEOPLE'S SINS. CHRIST CURED THE
- 2 CRIPPLES. HE GAVE SIGHT TO THE BLIND. JESUS CHRIST WALKED ON
- 3 THE DEEP WATER OF THE SEA OF GALILEE. AND HE COMMANDED THE
- 4 NATURAL WORLD. THE SON OF GOD REALLY RAISED DEAD PEOPLE TO
- 5 LIFE. INNOCENT JESUS WILLINGLY SHED HIS SACRED, DIVINE BLOOD
- 6 AND HE DIED FOR OUR SINS ON THE CROSS AS OUR SUBSTITUTE. HE
- 7 WAS ENTOMBED. AND THEN ON THE THIRD DAY, JESUS CHRIST
- 8 RESURRECTED AND HE LEFT THE TOMB, HALLELUJAH. JESUS CHRIST
- 9 APPEARED TO HUNDREDS OF HIS DISCIPLES OVER THE COURSE OF 40
- 10 DAYS. JESUS CHRIST ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN, AMEN. PRAISE THE
- 11 LORD. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF INFINITE
- 12 GOD ALMIGHTY IN THE UNITY OF THE INFINITELY OMNIPRESENT HOLY
- 13 SPRIT IN THE KINGDOM OF THE MOST HIGH, AMEN, PRAISE GOD. WE
- 14 RECEIVE LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD BY THE GRACE OF GOD THROUGH
- 15 FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD. CHRISTIAN SOULS AND SPIRITS
- 16 ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, AMEN. CHRISTIANS HAVE LIFE
- 17 EVERLASTING WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AMEN, PRAISE THE
- 18 LORD. UNBELIEVERS DIE AND RECEIVE THE PENALTY FOR THEIR OWN
- 19 SINS. UNBELIEVERS DIE AND BURN IN FIERY SHEOL HADES. REPENT,
- 20 THEREFORE, AND BELIEVE REALITY: JESUS CHRIST IS GOD AND THEN
- 21 YOU WILL HAVE LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD
- 22 AND HAVE A NICE DAY.

- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: YOU, TOO. ALL RIGHT. READ US INTO CLOSED
- 25 SESSION, PLEASE.

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- 2 LORAYNE LINGAT: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
- 3 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
- 4 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-1,
- 5 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
- 6 ITEM NO. C.S.-2, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF
- 7 CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH; ITEM
- 8 NO. C.S.-3, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR
- 9 THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD
- 10 PROTECTION, ITEM NO. C.S.-4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
- 11 WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM C.S.-5,
- 12 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AS INDICATED
- 13 ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. PLEASE ALSO BE ADVISED
- 14 THAT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS
- 15 SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, AT 9:30 A.M. THANK YOU.

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1	REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION OCTOBER 5, 2014
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5	CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
6	(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
7	54956.9) Jason May v. County of Los Angeles, Superior Court
8	Case No. BC 539170
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10	This is an employment discrimination matter involving the
11	Department of Children and Family Services. (14-4920)
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13	The Board authorized settlement of the matter entitled Jason
14	May v. County of Los Angeles. The details of the settlement
15	will be made available once finalized by all parties.
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17	The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
18	present.
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20	There was no reportable action taken on items CS-2, CS-3, CS-4
21	or CS-5.
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1	I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2	6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3	hereby certify:
4	That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5	Angeles County Board of Supervisors November 5, 2014,
6	were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7	direction and supervision;
8	That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9	in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10	the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11	me.
12	I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13	related to any party to the said action; nor
14	in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.
15	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16	17th day of November 2014, for the County records to be used
17	only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
18	as on file of the office of the reporter.
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20	JENNIFER A. HINES
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